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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 10, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE

The President concurs with your opinion and has requested that you inform the Government of the Republic of Uganda that the appointment of Mustapha Ramathan as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Uganda to the United States would bé agreeable to the Government of the United States.

Henry A. Kissinger

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June 10, 1971

FOR: Jeanne Davis

FROM: Marshall Wright

SUBJECT: Agrement - Mustapha Ramathan - Ambassador to the US from Uganda

Attached is a memorandum from Dr. Kissinger to the Secretary of State concurring in the appointment of Mustapha Ramathan as Ambassador of Uganda to the United States.

Attachment

Fred Rondon:mm

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

S/S - 7108418

June 9, 1971

Dear Mr. President:

The Government of the Republic of Uganda has inquired whether our Government agrees to the appointment of Mustapha Ramathan as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Uganda to the United States. A biography of Mr. Ramathan is enclosed. A thorough review of United States Government records reveals no grounds for objection.

I believe this appointment would be satisfactory. If you concur, I shall be pleased to inform the Government of the Republic of Uganda.

Respectfully,

Acting Secretary

Enclosure:
Biography.

The President,
The White House.

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR US UG
SUBJECT: USG-GOU RELATIONS: POSSIBLE PROTECTING POWER

REFS: (A) KAMPALA 3061; (B) STATE 210145

1. IN MY OPINION CHOICE BETWEEN NIGERIA AND GHANA IS QUITE CLEAR: NIGERIA, YES; GHANA, NO.

2. NIGERIAN H.C. ADEFOPE ANB HIS DEPUTY, XAFOWORA, ARE BOTH SKILLED PROFESSIONALS. THOUGH NEITHER HAS BEEN HERE LONG, WE ENJOY EXCELLENT, FRIENDLY PERSONAL RELATIONS WITH BOTH. THEY COULD HANDLE THE JOB IF THEIR GOVERNMENT ASSENTED. THEY BOTH VIEW AMIN WITH A HEALTHY SCEITICISM, BUT TRY TO GET ALONG WITH HIM AND SEEM TO MANAGE.

3. GHANAIAN H.C., BRIGADIER CRABBE, IS A MILITARY MAN WITH NO PRIOR DIPLOMATIC EXPERIENCE, AND HE DOESN'T SEEM TO HAVE PICKED UP MUCH SINCE HE HAS BEEN HERE. HIS MAIN EFFORT HERE SEEMS TO BE TO BUTTER UP AMIN TO THE MAXIMUM (I REALIZE I SOUND PREJUDICED). I FEAR HE WOULD ALWAYS TRY TO KEEP ON GOOD TERMS WITH AMIN TO THE NEGLECT OF OUR INTERESTS. HIS NEW NUMBER TWO HAS JUST ARRIVED, HAVEN'T HAD MUCH CONTACT WITH HIM YET, BUT FIRST IMPRESSION IS THAT THERE ISN'T MUCH THERE. IN GENERAL GHANA ENJOYS BETTER RELATIONS WITH AMIN THAN DOES NIGERIA, BECAUSE OF GOWON'S SCEPTICISM RE GEN. AMIN WHICH HE HASN'T SUCCEEDED VERY WELL IN HIDING.

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4. MORE DIFFICULT TO TELL HOW GENERAL AMIN WOULD REACT. MY GUESS IS THAT HE WOULD FIND IT HARD TO REFUSE TO ACCEPT EITHER NIGERIA OR GHANA AS OUR REPRESENTATIVE, BUT HE WOULD PROBABLY WONDER WHY ON EARTH THEY AGREED TO DO SO.

5. THREE OTHER MISSIONS THAT MIGHT BE GIVEN SOME CONSIDERATION IF NEITHER OF THE ABOVE PANS OUT WOULD BE: SUDAN, SAUDI ARABIA, ZAIRE. SUDAN CHANCERY IS IN SAME BUILDING AS OURS, AND WE HAVE ALWAYS ENJOYED CLOSE RELATIONS WITH THAT MISSION, ESPECIALLY DURING TENURE OF AMB. ABDEL-GADIR, WHO HAS NOT YET BEEN REPLACED (NEW CHARGE JUST ARRIVED). REALIZE THERE MAY BE REASONS IN KHARTOUM WHY SUDAN WOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED DESIRABLE CHOICE. SAUDI AMBASSADOR HABABI IS A SKILLED PROFESSIONAL, GOOD FRIEND, SEEMS TO GET ON WELL WITH AMIN, IS VERY PRO-AMERICAN, AND THERE MIGHT BE ADVANTAGES TO HAVING AN ARAB STATE REPRESENT US HERE UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS, IF THEY WERE WILLING TO DO SO. AMB. MUKAMBA OF ZAIRE IS ALSO ABLE, FRIENDLY, VERY PRO-AMERICAN, HAS BEEN HELPFUL TO US IN PAST. DISADVANTAGE IS HE HAS VERY LITTLE ENGLISH, THOUGH KINSHASA MIGHT BE WILLING TO ASSIGN AN ENGLISH-SPEAKING OFFICER HERE IF THEY AGREED TO LOOK AFTER OUR INTERESTS.

6. I HAVE EXAMINED QUESTION AS MUCH FROM POINT OF VIEW OF PERSONALITIES AND ATTITUDES OF THE VARIOUS CHIEFS OF MISSION AS FROM POINT OF VIEW OF THEIR HOME GOVERNMENTS, BECAUSE SITUATION IN KAMPALA IS SUCH THAT PERSONAL RELATIONS (WITH AMIN ESPECIALLY) AND PERSONAL ATTITUDES DETERMINE SO MUCH THAT AFFECTS DIPLOMATIC AND WORKING RELATIONS WITH GOU.
KEELEY

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 3179

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR US UG UK
SUBJECT: USG-GOU RELATIONS: GENERAL AMIN'S OCT. 23 MEETING WITH HENNESSY AND ME.

REFS: KAMPALA 3170 AND 3178

WISH THIS TO BE CLOSELY HELD, BECAUSE I HAVE TO TRY TO GET ALONG WITH HIM AND WORK TOGETHER IN OUR MUTUAL INTERESTS, BUT AT SUBJECT MEETING TODAY I DID NOT AT ALL APPRECIATE HENNESSY'S QUITE EVIDENT EFFORT TO DISASSOCIATE HMG FROM USG IN DEALING WITH THE GENERAL'S OUTRAGEOUS CHARGES. HENNESSY DEFINITELY GAVE IMPRESSION, BY ALWAYS EMPHASIZING THAT HE WAS SPEAKING ONLY FOR THE BRITISH, THAT IF WE HAD ANY PROBLEMS WITH THE GENERAL THEY WERE OUR PROBLEMS AND NOT HIS. I PARTICULARLY DID NOT LIKE HIS MENTIONING THAT THE "INTELLIGENCE REPORT" IN QUESTION CAME FROM THE U.S. AND NOT THE UK. IF IT IS A RIDICULOUS REPORT, WHO CARES WHERE IT SUPPOSEDLY CAME FROM? IN MY OWN REMARKS I DID NOT TRY TO SPEAK FOR HMG, OBVIOUSLY, BUT IN MAKING DENIALS AND INSISTING ON PROPER TREATMENT I COUPLED OUR OWN NATIONALS WITH BRITAIN'S. ALL OF HENNESSY'S PREDECESSORS WITH WHOM I HAVE WORKED HERE HAVE BEEN MOST COOPERATIVE IN THIS REGARD, SINCE THEY WERE WELL AWARE WE ARE ALL IN SAME BOAT AND A LEAKY ONE AT THAT. IF HENNESSY THINKS HE CAN SWIM WHILE WE'RE SINKING, I'M AFRAID HE'S IN FOR A LARGE DOSE OF DISILLUSIONMENT.
KEELEY

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 3077

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT UG
SUBJECT: AMERICAN CHARGE REPORTEDLY IN DANGER

REF: NAIROBI 7010

1. APPRECIATE INFO REFTEL. DIFFICULT FOR US TO EVALUATE OJOK OR HIS WARNING.

2. IF HE CONTACTS EMBASSY NAIROBI AGAIN, SUGGEST HE BE ASKED THREE QUESTIONS:

(A) WHAT KIND OF DANGER?
(B) FROM WHOM?
(C) WHO IS HIS SOURCE?
KEELEY

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 2940
EXDIS
E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR US UG UN
SUBJECT: GENERAL AMIN PLANS TO ADDRESS UNGA; ASKS THAT PRESIDENT NIXON PROVIDE A PLANE TO FLY HIM TO NEW YORK

1. SUMMARY. ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER PAUL ETIANG PHONED CHARGE OCTOBER 3 AND STATED THAT GENERAL AMIN HAS DECIDED TO GO TO NEW YORK TO ADDRESS UNGA, MOST LIKELY ON OCTOBER 25. GENERAL ALSO INSTRUCTED ETIANG TO ASK CHARGE TO PASS ON REQUEST TO PRESIDENT NIXON FOR A U.S. PLANE TO FLY HIM FROM ENTEBBE TO NEW YORK. CHARGE TOLD ETIANG THERE WAS NO POSSIBILITY BUT AGREED TO PASS REQUEST ON TO WASHINGTON. CHARGE TOOK OCCASION TO ASK THAT ETIANG ARRANGE MEETING WITH AMIN SO THAT HE COULD CARRY OUT SOME INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM WASHINGTON GROWING OUT OF HIS CONSULTATIONS THERE. END SUMMARY.

2. ETIANG PHONED CHARGE ON OCTOBER 3 AND STATED THAT GENERAL AMIN HAS DECIDED TO GO TO NEW YORK LATER THIS MONTH TO ADDRESS THT UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY. ETIANG SAID HE HAD ALREADY BEEN IN TOUCH WITH UGANDAN PERM REP IBINGIRA AND TENTATIVE DATE SET FOR GENERAL'S SPEECH WAS AFTERNOON OF OCTOBER 25. ETIANG THEN STATED THAT GENERAL ALSO REQUESTED THAT AMERICAN CHARGE BE ASKED TO SEND REQUEST TO PRESIDENT NIXON TO PROVIDE A PLANE TO FLY THE GENERAL TO NEW YORK.

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3. CHARGE'S RESPONSE WAS THAT HE SAW NO LIKELIHOOD THERE COULD BE A POSITIVE RESPONSE TO GENERAL'S REQUEST FOR A PLANE, BUT HE WOULD PASS IT ON TO WASHINGTON FOR AN ANSWER. CHARGE THEN ASKED ETIANG TO ARRANGE A MEETING WITH PRESIDENT AMIN, AS HE HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM WASHINGTON, GROWING OUT OF HIS RECENT CONSULTATIONS THERE, AND HAD AN ORAL MESSAGE TO GIVE THE PRESIDENT. ETIANG ASKED IF IT WAS A ESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NIXON. CHARGE SAID NO, IT WAS NOT, BUT AN INSTRUCTION REGARDING STATE OF OUR RELATIONS. ETIANG SAID HE WOULD BE SEEING GENERAL IN AFTERNOON AND WOULD TRY TO ARRANGE A MEETING.

4. COMMENT. FOR UNMITIGATED GALL, AMIN HAS AGAIN WON FIRST PRIZE. DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT HE ASKED QUEEN ELIZABETH FOR A PLANE TO FLY HIM TO OTTAWA COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE, A REQUES WHICH WAS DECLINED. WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING A PROMPT OFFICIAL ANSWER TO PASS BACK TO ETIANG, OR TO AMIN IF IT ARRIVES BEFORE I SEE HIM. I HAVE ALREADY EXPLAINED TO ETIANG THAT EVEN CHIEFS OF STATE ARRIVING IN US FOR STATE VISITS NORMALLY PROVIDE THEIR OWN TRANSPORTATION AS FAR AS NEW YORK OR WASHINGTON, AND TO MY KNOWLEDGE WE HAVE NEVER PROVIDED A PLANE FOR SOMEONE GOING TO THE UNGA. ETIANG IS OF COURSE PREPARED FOR A NEGATIVE ANSWER, BUT WHO KNOWS WHAT AMIN MAY HAVE UP HIS SLEEVE?
KEELEY

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MESSAGE ANNOTATIONS:

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CHARGE KELLEY CONFERRED WITH GEN. AMIN. LATTER MADE NO APOLOGIES FOR DETENTION OF PCV'S. AND CONTENDED THAT HE HAD ACTED ON INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION RE POSSIBLE MERCE-NARIES ENTERING RWANDA. DETAILED ACCOUNT OF MEETING TO FOLLOW.

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR US UG
SUBJECT: USG-GOU RELATIONS; MEETING WITH GENERAL AMIN
REF: KAMPALA 2231
SUMMARY: AT TWENTY-MINUTE MEETING WITH GENERAL AMIN JULY 10, HE MADE "EXPLANATION" OF INCIDENT INVOLVING DETENTION OF PCV'S AT ENTEBBE, BUT OFFERED NO APOLOGIES. HE STRESSED THAT PCV'S HAD BEEN "TREATED WELL," SAYING THAT HE IS ABOUT OT ZCONSIDER" US-UGANDAN RELATION, HE ASKED FOR UP-DATED LIST OF ALL AMCITS RESIDENT IN COUNTRY. WE HAD ALREADY PROVIDED ONE TO FON MIN THAT MORNING). HE CRITICIZED PRESIDENT NIXON AND USG POLICIES IN TERMS SIMILAR TO THOSE HE HAD USED IN HIS RECENT JULY 4 CABLE GENERAL ALSO SAID HE HAD ORDERED HIS SECURITY SERVICES TO "ROOT OUT" PROPAGANDISTS, AGENTS, SUBVERSIVES AMONG MISSIONARIES, AND CONFIRMED THAT 22 PROTESTANT SECTS ALLEGEDLY IMPLANTED IN UGANDA BY AMERICANS MUST GO. AT THE END I WAS ABLE TO SUGGEST TO HIM THAT HE CHECK AND RE-CHECK VERY CAREFULLY ANY "INTELLIGENCE" REPORTS RECEIVED FROM HIS SECURITY SERVICES ALLEGING IMPROPER ACTIVITIES BY AMERICANS IN UGANDA, BECAUSE HE HAE IN PAST BEEN GIVEN INACCURATE, MISLEADING OR FABRICATED REPORTS OF THIS KIND. END SUMMARY. DETAILS BY SEPTEL.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 2209

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: CASC PFOR UG US
SUBJ: DETENTION OF PCV'S AT ENTEBBE
REFS: KINSHASA 5551, 5552, 5553

1. THOUGH MAKING NO PREDICTIONS, I AM SOMEWHAT HOPEFUL THAT ARRIVAL HERE TODAY OF ZAIROIS FON MIN, NGUZA, AND HIS MEETING WITH GENERAL AMIN SHCEDULED FOR 1430 HOURS JULY 9, MAY RESULT IN GRANTING OF CLEARANCE FOR DEPARTURE OF PCV'S FROM UGANDA. WITH THAT HOPE IN MIND, BELIEVE IT WOULD BE GOOD IDEA IF KINSHASA COULD ARRANGE FOR AIR ZAIRE CHARTERED DC-4 TO BE STANDING BY TO COME HERE AT SHORT NOTICE TO PICK UP PCV'S AND TAKE THEM ON TO THEIR DESTINATION. REASON I SUGGEST THIS IS THAT IF NGUZA CAN OBTAIN AMIN'S AGREEMENT TO DEPARTURE OF PCV'S HE COULD ALSO CLEAR WITH HIM THE CHARTER FLIGHT OR FLIGHTS FROM HERE TO ZAIRE AT SAME TIME, AND WITH AMIN'S OK IN HAND WE COULD PROBABLY CLEAR CHARTER FLIGHTS OUT OF ENTEBBE WITHOUT FURTHER DIFFICULTY. ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE AN EAA CHARTER TO NAIROBI, BUT AFTER EXPERIENCES OF PAST TWO DAYS AT ENTEBBE I AM NOT CONFIDENT THAT EAA IS LOOKING AFTER OUR INTERESTS SO MUCH AS THEIR OWN. (THEIR MAIN INTEREST SEEMED TO BE TO GET THEIR AIRCRAFT TO NAIROBI SO THAT IT COULD TAKE ON ANOTHER JOB, INSTEAD OF CONCENTRATING ON GETTING THIS CHARTER GROUP TO ITS BUJUMBURA DESTINATION, WHICH WAS THE JOB IMMEDIATELY AT HAND.)

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2. IT WOULD TEACH AMIN A LESSON IF MOBUTU WERE TO CANCEL HIS VISIT HERE AS A RESULT OF THIS EPICODE, BUT HTIS IS PERHAPS TOO MUCH TO HOPE FOR. IT WOULD BE MOST SALUTARY IF SOME IMPORTANT AFRICAN LEADER WERE TO MAKE CLEAR TO AMIN THAT SOME KINDS OF BEHAVIOR ARE SIMPLY UNACCEPTABLE FROM A CHIEF OF STATE.

3. I PLAN CHECK WITH ZAIROIS AMB. MUKAMBA FOLLOWING HIS MEETING WITH ACTING FON MIN ETIANG TO SEE WHAT THE ATMOSPHERE IS AT THIS STAGE.

4. BURROWS SPENT EVENING WITH PCV'S AT LAKE VIC HOTEL, CANNING SPENT THE NIGHT THERE, BUT HAS NOW BEEN RELIEVED BY BARCAS. RINGDAHL IS STANDING BY FOR THE AFTERNOON SHIFT. WILL TRANSMIT PC DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE TO PCV'S (STATE 133397) VIA NEXT OFFICER GOING TO LAKE VIC. LEARNED THIS MORNING THAT PCV'S HAVE NOT STARTED THEIR MALARIA SUPPRESSANT ROUTINES, SO WE ARE PROVIDING DOSES OF ARALEN FOR ALL HANDS TO BE TAKEN THIS AFTERNOON.

5. MARINE GUARD WHO VISITED WITH PCV'S AT ENTEBBE TRANSIT LOUNGE YESTERDAY HAD CONVERSATION WITH ONE PCV, ROBERTA COHEN, WHICH INDICATED SHE WAS QUITE UPSET, MAINLY OUT OF CONCERN THAT HER PARENTS WOULD BE EXCESSIVELY WORRIED ABOUT HER. MARINE CALLED HER PARENTS TO REASSURE THEM, AND I SO ADVISED ROBERTA LAST NIGHT. MARINES ALSO PROVIDED PCV'S WITH SUPPLY OF CIGARETTES, COFFEE AND CANDIES, AND ARE SENDING SOME READING MATERIAL DODAY.

6. RE PARA TWO STATE 133397, WE HAVE ALL BEEN DOING A GOOD DEAL OF COUNSELING AND "ORIENTATION" OF PCV'S THROUGHOUT THIS ORDEAL. I ALSO MADE CAREFUL CHOICE OF WHICH PCV'S SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED OVER PHONE BY MEDIA REPS. WHO CALLED HOTEL, AND SO FAR CHOICES HAVE BEEN GOOD ONES. CANNOT, HOWEVER, GUARANTEE THAT ONE OR ANOTHER WILL NOT BE CONTACTED DIRECT AND WILL INDULGE IN A DIATRIBE AGAINST GENERAL AMIN, WHICH WOULD BE MOST UNFORTUNATE.

7. FOR THE FUTURE WOULD SUGGEST THAT GROUPS OF THIS KIND TRAVELLING OVERSEAS TO THEIR FIRST POSTING BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN EXPERIENCED PC/W ESCORT OFFICER. ALSO, WOULD SUGGEST THAT AT LEAST TWO ITEMS BE INCLUDED IN FIRST LECTURE TO NEW PCV'S, BEFOR THEY DEPART U.S.: (A) DON'T EVER SEND POST CARDS, UNLESS THEY ARE OF STRICTLY "WISH YOU WERE HERE" VARIETY, AND EVEN THAT ISN'T SAFE; (B) IF YOU GET INVOLVED IN AN INVOLUNTARY "ADVENTURE" SUCH AS THIS ONE, DON'T WRITE HOME ABOUT IT UNTIL YOU REACH SOME PLACE FROM WHERE IT IS SAFE TO MAIL THE LETTER.

8. FOR THOSE MAKING TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS, A FURTHER SUGGESTION: DON'T OVERFLY UGANDA.

9. REPORT HEARD OVER BBC NEWS THIS MORNING THAT PCV'S ARE

DETAINED AT LAKE VIC HOTEL "UNDER ARMED GUARD" IS
INACCURATE. THERE ARE DOUBTLESS SOME PLAINCLOTHESMEN HANGING
AROUND THE HOTEL, BUT NO ARMED GUARDS.

10. THIS REPORT WRITTEN AT 0930 HOURS LOCAL JULY 9.
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FREETOWN FOR NEWSOM
E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR PINS UG US RW
SUBJECT: GENERAL AMIN SAYS HE HAS ORDERED HIS AIR FORCE
TO "INTERCEPT" EAST AFRICAN FLIGHT CARRYING ONE
HUNDRED AMERICANS TO RWANDA.

SUMARRY: JUST PRIOR TO ARRIVAL CEREMONY AT ENTEBBE FOR VISITING PRESIDENT BONGO ON JULY 7, PRESIDENT AMIN TOLD ME HE HAD BEEN INFORMED THAT A VC-QP OF EAST AFRICAN AIRWAYS WAS TAKING ONE HUNDRED AMERICANS TO RWANDA AND HE HAD ORDERED HIS AIR FORCE TO INTERCEPT THIS FLIGHT. I HAVE ASKED FOREIGN MINISTRY TO LET ME KNOW ANYTHING THEY CAN FIND OUT ABOUT THIS INCREDIBLE BUSINESS AND THEY HAVE PROMISED DO SO. END SUMMARY.

1. JUST PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT ENTEBBE OF PRESIDENT BONGO OF GABON ABOUT 1120 HOURS JULY 7 PRESIDENT AMIN STROLLED DOWN RED CARPET TOWARD HEAD OF LINE, GREETING DIPLOMATS AND UGANDAN OFFICIALS. WHEN HE CAME TO ME HE SHOOK MY HAND, BUT THEN SMILE FADED FROM HIS FACE AND IN GRAVE TONES HE SAID THE FOLLOWING: QUOTE I HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT A VC-QP OF EAST AFRICAN AIRWAYS IS TAKING ONE HUNDRED AMERICANS TO RWANDA. I HAVE ORDERED MY AIR FORCE TO INTERCEPT THIS FLIGHT. END QUOTE. I ASKED IF HE HAS SAID "EAST AFRICAN AIRWAYS." HE SAID "YES" AND WITHOUT ANOTHER WORD PROCEEDED DOWN THE LINE.

2. COMMENT: I MUST ADMIT I WAS LEFT SPEECHLESS BY THIS LATEST

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ASSAULT ON RATIONALITY OF THE GENERAL'S. THE IMPLICATION OF HIS REMARKS WAS THAT THESE HUNDRED AMERICANS ARE "MERCENARIES, "CIA AGENTS," OR SOME OTHER OBSESSION OF THE GENERAL'S, WHO ARE GOING TO RWANDA TO INTERFERE IN THAT COUNTRY'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS. END COMMENT.

3. BY CHANCE I WAS STANDING IN LINE BETWEEN THE RWANDAN AND SOMALI CHARGE'S. THE RWANDAN HAD NOT CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD WHAT AMIN HAD SAID, SO I TRANSLATED IT FOR HIM. HIS REACTION WAS "INCREDIBLE" (INCROYABLE). HE ALSO REMARKED THAT REGULAR EAA FLIGHT FOR KIGALI WAS NOT SCHEDULED UNTIL FOLLOWING DAY (SUNDAY).

4. AFTER BONGO ARRIVED (DRESSED IN VERY MOD STYLE, AND WEARING THREE-INCH PLATFORM SHOES, WHICH IS ABOUT FIVE INCHES TOO LITTLE FOR HIM, ESPECIALLY WHEN STANDING NEXT TO AMIN) AMIN CAME BACK THROUGH LINE OF DIPLOMATS WITH BONGO AND ETIANG (ACTING FON MIN), BUT HE SAID NOTHING FURTHER. AMIN'S REMARKS TO ME, HAVING BEEN OVERHEARD BY SEVERAL NEAR-BY DIPLOMATS, SPREAD THROUGH CORPS LIKE A BRUSH-FIRE. THOSE WHO CHECKED IT OUT WITH ME MOSTLY COMMENTED THAT IT WAS "CRAZY" OR "RIDICULOUS."

5. ETIANG WAS FULLY OCCUPIED WITH GABONESE OFFICIAL WHO MUST HAVE BEEN HIS COUNTERPART, SO I SOUGHT OUT NTIMBA (ACTING FON MIN PERM SEC) AND REPEATED TO HIM WHAT AMIN HAD SAID. HE OBVIOUSLY KNEW NOTHING ABOUT IT. I ASKED HIM TO TRY TO FIND OUT ANYTHING HE COULD ABOUT IT AND LET ME KNOW WHAT HE COULD. HE PROMISED DO SO.

6. THERE WAS AN EAST AFRICAN PLANE AT ENTEBBE WHICH DEPARTED BEFORE BONGO'S ARRIVAL. PRESUMABLY IT WAS THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED ENTEBBE/NAIROBI MORNING FLIGHT.

7. FOR NAIROBI AND OR ALLEGED "REPORT" TO AMIN.

8. ALSO HAD INTERESTING EXCHANGE EARLIER WITH ETIANG WHILE WAITING AT ENTEBBE, ON USG-GOU RELATIONS AND HARRY ENGEL CASE, WHICH I WILL REPORT BY SEPTELS.
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1. ADVISED ACTING BHC BRIND JUNE 18 OF OUR WILLINGNESS REPRESENT BRITISH INTERESTS IN UGANDA IF BREAK IN RELATIONS OCCURS. EMPHASIZED PRACTICAL LIMITATIONS OWING REDUCED STAFF, OUR OWN PROBLEMS, AND STATE OF OUR RELATIONS WITH GOU.

2. BRIND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR POSITIVE RESPONSE. HE SAID HMG IS AWARE OF LIMITATIONS ON OUR CAPABILITIES, AND HAD ALSO TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION THAT WE MIGHT BE KICKED OUT SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THEM OR SOON AFTER.

3. I SAID WE WOULD OF COURSE DO OUR BEST WITH CONSULAR PROBLEMS BUT I DOUBTED WE WOULD BE ABLE OBTAIN MUCH SATIS-FACTION FOR BRITISH IN ANY AREAS THAT REQUIRED DEMARCHES TO GOU SUCH AS ON PROPERTY NATIONALIZATIONS. BRIND REPLIED THAT WE CERTAINLY COULDN'T DO MUCH WORSE THAN THEY HAVE DONE, SINCE THERE ARE NOW ABOUT ONE HUNDRED OUTSTANDING UNANSWERED NOTES THEY HAVE SENT FOREIGN MINISTRY. ANY DEMARCHES ON NATIONALI-ZATIONS, HE SAID, WOULD BE PRETTY MUCH "FOR THE RECORD," TO PRESERVE LEGAL RIGHTS BY PROTESTING ILLEGAL ACTIONS, FOR EXAMPLE, WHICH HMG MIGHT OTHERWISE BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE "ACCEPTED."

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4. BRIND MENTIONED TWICE HIS EXPECTATION THAT "DEVELOPMENTS" AT OTTAWA COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE IN AUGUST MIGHT PRECIPITATE A BREAK, AND NOTED THAT HE HIMSELF WOULD NOT BE HERE TO SEE IT, AS HE IS LEAVING ON TRANSFER JULY 18.
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1. ACTING BHC BRIND HAS BEEN IN KIGALI ALL THIS WEEK TO CELEBRATE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY AND DEAL WITH ROUTINE PROBLEMS OF BRITISH COMMUNITY IN RWANDA, FOR WHICH HE ALSO RESPONSIBLE. WILL ADVISE HIM IN ACCORDANCE PARA ONE REF (C) ON HIS RETURN THIS WEEKEND.

2. RE PARA TWO REF (C), WE CONTINUE TO HAVE IMPRESSION, FROM REMARKS OF BHC OFFICERS HERE, THAT HEATH GOVERNMENT PLANS DO SOMETHING ABOUT UGANDA AT AUGUST COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE OTTAWA, THOUGH IT MIGHT NOT GO SO FAR AS ATTEMPT AT EXPULSION. BOTH BRIND AND FIRST SECRETARY REDSHAW, IN RECENT CONVERSATIONS WITH EMBOFFS, HAVE CASUALLY MENTIONED THAT THEY EXPECT "FIREWORKS" OR "TROUBLE" BETWEEN HMG AND AMIN AT OTTAWA, WITHOUT BEING MORE SPECIFIC AS TO NATURE. MY GUESS IS THAT BRIND DID NOT MENTION ANYTHING SPECIFIC IN CONVERSATION REPORTED REF (B) BECAUSE IT REMAINS SENSITIVE, PLANNING STAGE MATTER WITHIN HMG. IT MAY BE THAT HEATH WILL NOT GO BEYOND RAISING QUESTION ABOUT GOU TREATMENT OF CITIZENS OF OTHER COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES AND THEIR PROPERTIES DURING PAST YEAR, AS WELL AS TREATMENT OF ITS OWN CITIZENS, INCLUDING SOME WHO THOUGHT THEY WERE CITIZENS ACCORDING UGANDAN LAWS. IN GENERAL,

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BRITISH DIPLOMATS HERE ARE OF OPINION THAT HEATH AND AMIN CANNOT SIMPLY CARRY ON THROUGH A COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE AS IF NOTHING HAD HAPPENED BETWEEN THEIR TWO GOVERNMENTS DURING PAST YEAR.
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SUBJ: GENERAL GADIR'S ANALYSIS OF UGANDA'S SECURITY SITUATION

1. I HAD TOLD GENERAL MOHAMMED ABDEL-GADIR OMER YESTERDAY THAT I PLANNED TO VISIT AMERICAN CITIZENS IN THE KABALE AREA OF SOUTHERN UGANDA STARTING FEB 6. HE RHONED THIS MORNING TO SAY HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE ME. HE URGED THAT I NOT MAKE THE TRIP. HE BELIEVES THAT WE ARE AT ANOTHER CRITICAL CROSSROADS IN UGANDAN AFFAIRS. I HAVE POSTPONED PLANS FOR THE TRIP.

2. HE REPORTS THAT AMIN IS COMPLETELY CONVINCED THAT ANOTHER EFFORT IS BEING MOUNTED IN TANZANIA AGAINST HIM. RECENTLY AMIN INFILTRATED INTO BUKOBA AND OTHER AGENTS WHO BROUGHT BACK SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON ACTIVITIES BEING PLANNED AGAINST HIM. FURTHERMORE, THREE TANZANIAN AGENTS WERE CAPTURED AND AFTER CONFESSING AND GIVING EVIDENCE OR DATA WHICH CORROBATED WHAT AMIN'S AGENTS FOUND OUT, THE THREE TANZANIANS WERE EXECUTED.

3. GADIR AS A MILITARY MAN HAS MADE AN ANALYSIS OF THE RECENTLY ACQUIRED ASSETS AND CAPABILITIES OF THE UGANDAN ARMED FORCES (THE SECOND PARATROOP BATTALION, OTHER ASSETS ACQUIRED FROM LIBYA). THESE, COUPLED WITH THE SUBSTANTIAL GOU ATTACKS ON TANZANIA IN THE PAST TEN DAYS, LEAD HIM TO BELIEVE THAT UGANDA IS PREPARING FOR AN AGGRESSIVE ACTION. AMIN, HE FEELS, IS LOOKING FOR EXCUSES.

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4. GADIR, WHO HAD JUST RETURNING FROM A MEETING IN JUBA WHERE HE MET WITH SEVERAL SUDANESE AMBASSADORS, INCLUDING KEY SUDANESE FROM THEIR EMBASSY IN DAR EE SALAAM, HAS CONCRETE INFORMATION THAT UGANDAN DISSIDENT FORCES ARE IN FACT BEING HELPED BY THE TANZANIANS AND THAT THEIR MASTER PLAN IS TO INFLITRATE INDIVIDUALS AND SMALL BANDS INTO UGANDA; ASSASSINATE A FEW KEY PEOPLE--MOST LIKELY AMIN; CREATE CHAOS AND BE READY FOR THE NEXT PHASE. UNLIKE IN SEPTEMBER WHEN AMIN HAS A LARGE BODY OF PORULAR SUPPORT BECAUSE OF HIS ACTION AGAINST THE ASIANS, GADIR BELIEVES THAT THERE IS NOW A LARGE BODY OF ALIENATION AGAINST AMIN AND THAT WE ARE CLOSE TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

A. CONTINUING INFILTRATION INTO UGANDA OF FORCES DESIGNED TO OVERTHROW AMIN THAT WILL BRING A REACTION FROM AMIN THAT WOULD INCLUDE A STRIKE INTO TANZANIA; OR

B. A DIRECT GOU STRIKE, WITHOUT TRYING TO FIND ANY MORE EXCUSES, INTO TANZANIA.

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SUBJ: ALLEGED PLOT TO ASSASSINATE ARCHBISHOP OF KAMPALA

1. A DEACON WHO IS TO BE ORDAINED A PRIEST FOR THE ARCH-DIOCESE OF KAMPALA IN MARCH CAME TO SEE AMBASSADOR AND SAID THAT THERE HAVE BEEN TWO PLOTS BY THE ASSASSINATION GROUP TO ELIMINATE THE ARCHBISHOP. IN BOTH CASES IT WOULD HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT WHILE HE WAS IN HIS CAR.

2. IN BOTH CASES A CATHOLIC ARMY OFFICER WARNED THE ARCH-BISHOP WHO DID NOT MAKE THE TRIP THAT HE WAS PLANNING TO AMKE. IN ONE CASE, THE CAPTAIN CAME TO THE ARCHBISHOP'J RESIDENCE AND WARNED HIM AGAINST DRIVING THAT EVENING TO MASAKA. ARCHBISHOP DID NOT MAKE THE TRIP. EVIDENTLY THE CAPTAIN WAS SEEN BY THE AGENTS ALWAYS WATCHING THE ARCHBISHOP, AND THE NEXT DAY THE CAPTAIN DISAPPEARED.

3. INFORMAT SAID ARCHBIISHOP BELIEVES HE ON THE LIST FOR ELIMINATION AND IS TAKING VARIOUS PRECAUTIONS. HE BELIEVES THAT FR KIGGUNDU WAS ASSASSINATED BY THE SAME OFFICE THAT WANTS TO ASSASSINATE HIM.
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SUBJECT: SUDAN AMB. REPORTS VARIOUS ANTI-AMIN ACTIVITIES

1. MAJOR GENERAL ABDEL GADIR-OMER REPORTS THAT AKENO-ODOKO IS IN KENYA ORGANIZING A NETWORK OF SUPPORTERS TO WORK FOR THE OVERTHROW OF AMIN. GENERAL SAID KENYAN AUTHORITIES AWARE THIS AND HAVE TOLD HIM NOT TO ENGAGE IN ANY MILITARY PREPARATIONS IN KENYA.

2. SUDANESE AMB. ALSO REPORTS THAT OBOTE HAS BEEN CULTIVATING ZARE PRES. MOBUTU SESE SEKO AND THAT MOBUTU INDICATED SOME INTEREST IN HELPING WITH THE TRAINING OF GUERILLAS. HE SAID HIS DAR COLLEAGUE REPORTS THAT OBOTE IS DUE TO GO TO ZAIRE TO SEE MOBUTU. HE ASKED ME IF I HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT OBOTE GOING TO ZAIRE.

3. HE SUSPECTS THAT AMIN REMAINS SUSPICIOUS OF COL. IGNATIUS NYANGWESO AND IS SENDING HIM TO LAGOS SO THAT THE COL WILL BE THERE WHILE AMIN IS THERE ALSO. AMIN, ACCORDING TO GENERAL GADIR, SENSES PLOTTING IN THE ARMED FORCES AGAINST HIM AND REGARDS NYANGWESO AS ONE OF THE KEY PLOTTERS.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFO THAT NAIROBI OR KINSHASA MIGHT HAVE ON THESE REPORTS.
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SUBJECT: RELFECTIONS ON THE AMIN REGIME AND US-UGANDAN RELATIONS AS OF END OF 1972

1. SUMMARY. THIS REPORT OFFERS SOME THOUGHTS ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT AS THE YEAR 1972 CLOSES AND WE APPROACH THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF THE COUP THAT BROUGHT GENERAL AMIN TO POWER IN UGANDA. WE FIND AMIN'S TO BE ONE OF THE MOST RADICAL (IN THE SENSE OF EXTREMIST) REGIMES TO HAVE APPEARED IN INDEPENDENT BLACK AFRICA, A REGIME WHICH MUST BE CHARACTERIZED AS: RACIST, ERRATIC AND UNPREDICATABLE, BRUTAL, INEPT, BELLICOSE, IRRATIONAL, RIDICULOUS AND MILITARISTIC. BUT ITS MOST SALIENT CHARACTERISTIC HAS BEEN AMIN'S RAMPANT XENOPHOBIA, WHICH HAS RESULTED IN HIS SERIES OF DECREES THAT THE COUNTRY CAN GET ALONG WITHOUT--WOULD BE BETTER OFF WITHOUT: ISRAELIS, ASIANS, FOREIGN VOLUNTEERS, MIS-

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SIONARIES, BRITISH. THOUGH AMIN MAY "GET AWAY WITH IT" IN THE SENSE THAT HE WILL SUCCEED IN EXPELLING MOST NON-UGANDANS FROM THE COUNTRY, WE DOUBT HIS COUNTRY OR PEOPLE WILL BE ANY BETTER OFF FOR HIS POLICIES. THE US HAS DEPLORED THE GENERAL'S ANTI-ZIONIST CAMPAIGN (WHICH OFTEN BECOMES AN ANTI-JEWISH CAMPAIGN), AND THOUGH WE COULD DO LITTLE ABOUT IT WE WERE DISTRESSED BY THE EXPULSION OF THE ASIAN COMMUNITY AS A GROSS VIOLATION OF FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS. THE "DRASTIC DECISION" AGAINST THE BRITISH IS ALSO DOING THE COUNTRY NO GOOD. WE ACCOUNT FOR THE CESSATION OF VERBAL ATTACKS AGAINST THE US AND STOPPAGE OF THE INCIDENTS OF MOLESTATIONS OF OUR CITIZENS--THE TWO BILATERAL ASPECTS OF MOST CONCERN TO US--PRIMARILY TO AMIN'S PREOCCUPATION WITH OTHER, MORE IMMEDIATELY THREATENING TARGETS OR TO A DELIBERATE DECISION ON HIS PART TO LEAVE US ALONE FOR THE PRESENT. WE TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE RECENT LULL TO REDUCE OUR PRESENCE IN THE COUNTRY BY OVER A THIRD. WE ARE NOT OPTIMISTIC THAT AMIN WILL CONTINUE TO LEAVE US ALONE, FOR WE FORESEE THAT--IF HE REMAINS IN POWER--HE WILL NEED ADDITIONAL SCAPEGOATS TO EXPLAIN AWAY THE DIRE EFFECTS OF HIS POLICIES, AND WE PROVIDE A CONVENIENT TARGET. WE ALSO NOTE THE EXISTENCE OF SEVERAL "TIME-BOMBS" THAT MAY EXPLODE TO DESTROY OUR RELATIONS WITH THE GOU: OUR HISTORICAL CLOSE TIES TO ISRAEL, AMIN'S OBSESSIVE ENEMY; THE POSSIBLITY OF A BOYCOTT OF UGANDAN COFFEE BY AMERICAN BUYERS; THE LAW-SUITS IN NEW YORK BEING PURSUED BY ISRAELI FIRMS SEEKING PAYMENT OF THEIR DEBTS OWED BY THE GOU; POTENTIAL TRIGGERING OF THE HICKENLOOPER AMENDMENT OWING TO NATIONALIZATION OF AMERICAN PROPERTY; A CUT-OFF OF AMERICAN AID THAT WOULD LEAD AMIN TO WRITE US OFF AS WORSE THAN USELESS. UNFORTUNATELY THESE ARE LARGELY MATTERS BEYOND USG CONTROL. WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD CONTINUE QUIETLY TO REDUCE THE AMERICAN PRESENCE IN THE COUNTRY SO THAT WE WILL BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO COPE WITH FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS. END SUMMARY.

2. THE AMIN REGIME. GENERAL AMIN'S REGIME MUST BE ONE OF THE MOST RADICAL TO HAVE APPEARED IN BLACK AFRICA SINCE THE ERA OF INDEPENDENCE BEGAN, NOT RADICAL IN THE SENSE OF "LEFTIST" BUT MORE IN THE SENSE OF "EXTREMIST." THE POLICIES DECREED BY THE GENERAL DURING THE PAST TWELVE MONTHS HAVE BEEN BASED ON A RAMPAGING XENOPHOBIA. BUT THAT HAS NOT BEEN THE ONLY EXTREMIST CHARACTERISTIC OF THIS REGIME. WITHOUT ANY FEAR OF EXAGGERATION IT CAN BE DESCRIBED AS:

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(A) RACIST: ENOUGH EVIDENCE IS PROVIDED BY THE TREATMENT OF THE CITIZEN ASIANS, WHO WERE SINGLED OUT FOR NO OTHER REASON THAN THEIR RACIAL ORIGIN.

(B) ERRATIC AND UNPREDICATABLE: GENERAL AMIN HAS JUMPED AND SHIFTED IN SO MANY DIFFERENT, OFTEN CONTRADICTORY, DIRECTIONS DURING THE PAST YEAR THAT MOST OBSERVERS OF THE UGANDAN SCENE HAVE LONG SINCE GIVEN UP TRYING TO PREDICT WHAT HIS NEXT MOVE WILL BE.

(C) BRUTAL: EVEN "BARBARIC" MIGHT NOT BE TOO STRONG A TERM TO DESCRIBE THE CAMPAIGN OF OPPRESSION AND VICTIMIZATION THAT HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT AGAINST THE BLACK UGANDAN ELITE, ALL APPARENTLY WITH THE SANCTION OF THE GOVERNMENT.

(D) INEPT: THE LOW STATE OF THE ECONOMY AND OF GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION TODAY IS TRAGIC, ESPECIALLY WHEN VIEWED AGAINST THE ENCOURAGING ECONOMIC POTENTIAL AND GENERALLY ABLE CIVIL SERVICE WITH WHICH THE COUNTRY WAS ENDOWED ONLY 24 MONTHS AGO.

(E) BELLICOSE: WHEN HE CANNOT GET A HEADLINE ANY OTHER WAY AMIN IS FOND OF THREATENING ONE OR MORE OF HIS NEIGHBORS. HIS FAVORITE TARGETS HAVE BEEN TANZANIA, RWANDA, AND THE SUDAN. HE HAS NOT ATTACKED KENYA AND ZAIRE, PROBABLY BECAUSE HE IS AFRAID OF THEM.

(F) IRRATIONAL: AMIN NEARLY CONSISTENTLY HAS PURSUED POLICIES THAT HAVE BEEN INIMICAL TO THE WELFARE AND PROGRESS OF HIS OWN COUNTRY AND PEOPLE, USUALLY OUT OF IGNORANCE, BUT PERHAPS ALSO BECAUSE OF HIS PARANOIA AND MEGALOMANIA.

(G) RIDICULOUS: AMIN'S BUFFOONERY HAS BEEN TOO WELL PUBLICIZED TO REQUIRE ILLUSTRATION, AND IT HAS PERHAPS NOT BEEN SURPRISING THAT HE IS AN EMBARRASSMENT TO MANY AFRICAN LEADERS WHO NONETHELESS HAVE BEEN RELUCTANT TO QUESTION PUBLICLY HIS FITNESS TO RULE, IN SOME CASES PROBABLY BECAUSE THEIR OWN CREDENTIALS MAY NOT BE MUCH BETTER.

(H) MILITARISTIC--SINCE THE REGIME'S SOLE FIRM SUPPORT SEEMS TO BE THE ARMY, IT IS PERHAPS NATURAL IF DEPLORABLE THAT WHAT USED TO BE A RELATIVELY PEACEFUL AND SECURE COUNTRY IS NOW

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PERVADED BY FEAR OF ITS OWN "SECURITY" FORCES.

3. BUT OF ALL OF THE CHARACTERISTICS THE ONE WHICH HAS BEEN MOST SALIENT DURING 1972 HAS BEEN THE SEVERAL MANIFESTATIONS OF GENERAL AMIN'S EXTREME XENOPHOBIA. DURING THE LAST THREE-QUARTERS OF THIS PAST YEAR AMIN HAS DECREED THAT THE COUNTRY CAN GET ALONG WITHOUT, IN FACT WOULD BE BETTER OFF WITHOUT:

(A) ANY ISRAELIS, WHO WERE PROVIDED MILITARY TRAINING TO HIS ARMY AND AIR FORCE, AS WELL AS IMPORTANT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN OTHER AREAS, PLUS THE WORK OF CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES DOING A GOOD MANY OF THE BIG GOVERNMENT DEVELOPMENT AND MILITARY PROJECTS;

(B) SOME 50,000 ASIANS WHO PROVIDED THE MASS OF THE COUNTRY'S BUSINESS SKILLS, IN TRADE, DISTRIBUTION AND LIGHT INDUSTRY, AS WELL AS PROFESSIONAL AND SKILLED ARTISANAL TALENTS OF ALL KINDS, THE COUNTRY'S ESSENTIAL MIDDLE-CLASS, PLUS AT LEAST TWO OF ITS BIGGEST INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES WHICH DOMINATED THE "LEADING", MODERN SECTOR OF THE ECONOMY;

(C) THE FOREIGN VOLUNTEERS, WHO PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN THE COUNTRY'S EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM, AS WELL AS PROVIDING TECHNICAL EXPERTISE IN OTHER SECTORS. THOUGH THEY WERE NOT EXPELLED, THEIR DEPARTURE AND LOSS TO UGANDA RESULTED FROM THEIR ABHORRENCE OF SOME OF AMIN'S POLICIES AND HIS INABILITY TO PROVIDE AN ATMOSPHERE AND THE SUBSTANCE OF INTERNAL SECURITY WHICH WOULD PERMIT THE VOLUNTEAJ TO CARRY OUT THEIR ASSIGNMENTS;

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(D) THE FOREIGN MISSIONARIES, WHO PROVIDE A GREAT DEAL OF THE MEDICAL AND EDUCATIONAL (AS WELL AS RELIGIOUS) SERVICES OF THE COUNTRY, MOSTLY FREE OF CHARGE, AS WELL AS FINANCING EDUCATIONAL AND MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS, ESPECIALLY IN THE RURAL AREAS WHERE THESE TEND TO BE NEGLECTED BY CENTRAL GOVERNMENT;

(E) THE BRITISH EXPATRIATE COMMUNITY, WHO PROVIDE BUSINESS SKILLS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS AND OTHER TECHNICIANS, AND WHO, ALONG WITH THE ASIANS AND THE MISSIONARIES, REALLY CARRY THE BURDEN OF ADMINISTRATION, MEDICINE AND EDUCATION IN THE COUNTRY, AS WELL AS KEY ECONOMIC SECTORS SUCH AS BANKING AND DEVELOPMENT FINANCING.

4. THE QUESTION IS, WILL AMIN "GET AWAY WITH IT," AS PEOPLE ARE FOND OF ASKING: THAT IS, WILL UGANDA SURVIVE HIS XENOPHOBIA?

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SOME OBSERVERS OF THE AFRICAN SCENE ARE QUITE FEARFUL THAT AMIN WILL BE "SUCCESSFUL" AND THAT HE WILL THEREBY SET A VERY BAD EXAMPLE FOR THE REST OF AFRICA TO IMITATE. FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE THESE FEARS ARE NOT WELL-FOUNDED: HE PROBABLY WILL "GET AWAY WITH IT" IN THE SENSE THAT HE WILL ACHIEVE THE EXPULSION OF MOST OF THE NON-UGANDANS WHO INHABITED THE COUNTRY AT THE BEGINNING OF 1972. BUT WE VERY MUCH DOUBT THAT UGANDA OR THE UGANDANS WILL BE ANY BETTER OFF FOR ALL THAT. THE EXAMPLE THE GENERAL IS SETTING, IN OUR VIEW, IS PRECISELY HOW NOT TO RUN A COUNTRY.

5. US REACTIONS TO AND RELATIONS WITH THE AMIN REGIME.
AS FAR AS OUR OWN NATIONAL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONCERNED, WHAT HAVE BEEN AMIN'S ACTIONS AND POLICIES THAT HAVE INVOLVED US MOST DIRECTLY?

(A) WE HAVE DEPLORED HIS EXPULSION OF THE ISRAELIS AND EVEN MORE HIS ANTI-ZIONIST CAMPAIGN WHICH HAS WASHED OVER AT TIMES INTO AN ANTI-JEWISH CAMPAIGN, WITH THE EVER-PRESENT DANGER OF ACTIONS AGAINST AMERICAN JEWS BECAUSE OF THE GENERAL'S INABILITY OR UNWILLINGNESS TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN ZIONISTS AND JEWS AND BETWEEN ISRAELIS AND JEWS OF OTHER NATIONALITIES. AMIN HAS MADE FRIENDS WITH SOME OF THE MORE RADICAL ARABS, AND HIS PARANOIAC FEAR OF THE ISRAELIS HAS CAUSED EVERYONE PROBLEMS AS HE GOES ABOUT LOOKING FOR ISRAELI AGENTS UNDER EVERY BED. NO IMPROVEMENT HERE IS LIKELY, ALTHOUGH THE EMOTIONAL HIGH (OR LOW) POINT--THE TELEGRAM TO WALDHEIM ABOUT HILLAR--PROBABLY LIES IN THE PAST.

(B) THE ASIAN EXPULSION WAS NOT AS BRUTAL AS HAD BEEN EXPECTED. THE FEARS OF SOME ABOUT LARGE NUMBERS OF MURDERS AND OTHER FORMS OF BRUTALITY WERE NOT REALIZED, FORTUNATELY. BUT IT WAS A DRASTIC MOVE WHICH HAS DONE THE COUNTRY NO GOOD, AND IT HAS BEEN A SERIOUS INSTANCE OF THE DENIAL OF FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS. THERE WAS NOT MUCH WE COULD DO ABOUT IT AT THE TIME, AND THERE IS NOT MUCH THAT ANYONE CAN DO ABOUT IT TODAY, AS IT APPEARS TODAY TO BE A CLOSED AND DARK CHAPTER IN UGANDA'S MODERN HISTORY.

(C) THE "DRASTIC DECISION" PROMISED BY THE GENERAL AGAINST THE BRITISH IS ONLY NOW UNFOLDING, BUT WE ANTICIPATE THAT IT WILL END UP BEING MORE SERIOUS THAN IT SEEMS TODAY, AS HAS

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BEEN THE CASE WITH MOST OF AMIN'S POLICIES. A YEAR FROM NOW THERE WILL PROBABLY BE VERY FEW BRITISH LEFT IN UGANDA, AND IN MOST CASES THIS WILL HAVE MEANT AN IMPROVERISHMENT OF THE COUNTRY.

(D) WE WERE DIRECTLY MOST CONCERNED OVER TWO ELEMENTS OF OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS: THE BROAD SWEEPING VERBAL ATTACKS ON THE US BY AMIN AND THE SEVERAL INCIDENTS OF MOLESTATION OF AMERICAN CITIZENS. THE MOLESTATIONS STOPPED ABOUT OCTOBER 1. THE VERBAL ATTACKS, WITH THE ONE EXCEPTION OF AMIN'S TELEGRAM OF DEC. 23 ON THE RESUMPTION OF THE BOMBINGS IN NORTH VIET-NAM, ALSO STOPPED AROUND OCTOBER 1. THESE CESSATIONS PROBABLY RESULTED FROM A VARIETY OF REASONS. THE RENEWED EFFORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT AND THE EMBASSY IN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER PROBABLY PLAYED A ROLE. BUT WE NOW BELIEVE THAT A MAJOR REASON WAS MORE LIKELY AMIN'S PREOCCUPATION WITH OTHER TARGETS (HE SEEMS TO CONCENTRATE ON ONE "ENEMY" AT A TIME) PLUS PERHAPS A DELIBERATE DECISION ON HIS PART TO LEAVE THE US ALONE WHILE HE DEALT WITH OTHERS WHOM HE CONSIDERED A GREATER THREAT TO HIS OWN SURVIVAL. DURING THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD-- THE LAST QUARTER OF 1972-- WE WERE ABLE TO USE THE LULL TO OUR OWN ADVANTAGE, NAMELY, THE EXFILTRATION FROM THE COUNTRY OF THE PEACE CORPS CONTIN-GENT AND SEVERAL HUNDRED OTHER AMCITS. THE TOTAL AMERICAN PRESENCE DROPPED IN THIS PERIOD FROM OVER 1,000 TO AROUND 640. THE LAST THREE MONTHS OF THIS "LULL" ALSO GAVE US THE TIME NEEDED TO DEVELOP AN E&E PLAN TAILORED TO THE GEOGRAPHIC PECULARITIES OF UGANDA.

6. THE FUTURE. WE SHOULD NOT, HOWEVER, BECOME COMPLACENT BECAUSE OF THE LULL. WE MAY OUTLAST AMIN-AND HE HAS SO MANY

ENEMIES THAT HIS SUDDEN DEMISE WOULD SURPRISE NO ONE IN UGANDA-- BUT HE MAY ALSO BE AROUND FOR SOME TIME TO COME. IF THE LATTER TURNS OUT TO BE THE CASE HE WILL LIKELY NEED SOME ADDITIONAL SCAPEGOATS TO EXPLAIN AWAY THE LOW STATE INTO WHICH HE HAS DRIVEN HIS COUNTRY AND PEOPLE. THE US MAY WELL BECOME ONE OF THOSE SCAPEGOATS, EITHER BECAUSE HE IS FRESH OUT OF OTHER

CONVENIENT TARGETS (WE ARE CONVENIENT BECAUSE WE ARE FOREIGN, WESTERN, "IMPERALIST," MOSTLY WHITE, ETC.) OR BECAUSE ONE OF THE SEVERAL "TIME-BOMBS" THAT APPEAR TO US TO LIE ASTRIDE OUR RELATIONS WITH UGANDA HAS GONE OFF AND BROUGHT US TO THE

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GENERAL'S IMMEDIATE ATTENTION. THESE "TIME-BOMBS" INCLUDE:

(A) OUR HISTORICAL AND QUITE EVIDENT CLOSE ASSOCIATIONS WITH ISRAEL, AS THAT COUNTRY'S PRINCIPAL MILITARY, FINANCIAL AND POLITICAL SUPPORTER. AMIN IS SO VIOLENTLY ANTI-ISRAELI THAT HIS WRATH AGAINST THEM MAY IN TURN BE DIRECTED AT US AS ISRAEL'S FRIEND.

(B) THE POSSIBILITY THAT ANTI-AMIN ELEMENTS IN THE US MAY ENGINEER A BOYCOTT OF UGANDAN COFFEE BY AMERICAN BUYERS. THIS WOULD BE MOST LIKELY TO BRING AMIN'S WRATH DOWN ON US, EVEN THOUGH WE HAD PLAYED NO ROLE IN THE AFFAIR.

(C) THE LAW-SUITS NOW BEING PURSUED IN NEW YORK BY ISRAELI FIRMS WHICH ARE OWED MONEY BY AMIN'S GOVERNMENT. THE USG IS LIABLE TO GET CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF ONE OR MORE OF THESE SUITS, AGAIN WITH THE CHANCES GOOD THAT AMIN WILL TURN ON US, WHETHER WE ARE INNOCENT (NOT INVOLVED) OR NOT.

(D) AMIN'S NATIONALIZATION OF AMERICAN PROPERTY SUCH AS HARRY ENGEL'S ITS FIRM MIGHT EVENTUALLY TRIGGER THE HICKENLOOPER AMENDMENT, WHICH WOULD BE REGARDED BY AMIN AS AN UNFRIENDLY ACT.

(D) OUR UNWILLINGNESS OR INABILITY TO PROVIDE UGANDA ANY FURTHER AID MAY STIMULATE THE GENERAL TO WRITE US OFF AS WORSE THAN USELESS, WITH OBVIOUS IMPLICATIONS FOR OUR CONTINUED PRESENCE HERE.

7. IN CONCLUSION IT SEEMS FAIR TO SAY THAT MOST OF THESE POTENTIAL THREATS TO THE SMOOTH COURSE OF OUR RELATIONS WITH UGANDA ARE LARGELY MATTERS OUTSIDE USG CONTROL. THERE IS NO REASON TO HOPE THAT WE WILL BE MORE FORTUNATE THAN WERE THE ISRAELIS AND THE BRITISH, WHO WERE ALSO DONE IN PRIMARILY BY DEVELOPMENTS OVER WHICH THEY COULD EXERCISE LITTLE OR NO INFLUENCE. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE WE SHOULD CONTINUE TO TAKE STEPS QUIETLY TO REDUCE THE NUMBERS OF AMERICANS IN UGANDA TO AN ABSOLUTE MINIMUM AND TAKE OTHER APPROPRIATE STEPS THAT WILL ASSURE MAXIMUM FLEXIBILITY IN CASE AMIN RESUMES THE ATTACK ON US.
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SUBJECT: US PROTECTION OF BRITISH INTERESTS IN UGANDA

REF: KAMPALA 5003

JOHN STEWART PHONED DCM DEC. 18 MIDDAY TO SAY, WITH REFERENCE TO REQUESTS REPORTED REFTEL, "THANKS FOR COOPERATION BUT WE DON'T BELIEVE WE'LL BE NEEDING ANY HELP."
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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH PAPAL DELEGATION

REF: KAMPALA 4772; ROME 7466

SUMMARY: PAPAL DELEGATION ARRIVED DECEMBER 16; MET WITH AFRICAN BISHOP. THEY EXPECT TO SEE AMIN DECEMBER 19 AND 20. STRATEGY IS TO GET HIM TO POSTPONE ANY DRASTIC EXPULSION OF FOREIGN MISSIONARIES.

1. AT THE REQUEST OF VATICAN PRO-NUNCIO BELLOTTI, I MET WITH THE VATICAN DELEGATION THIS AFTERNOON. DELEGATION ARRIVED DECEMBER 16. I MET FIRST WITH ARCHBISHOP GANTIN, CHIEF OF THE DELEGATION AND LATER WITH MONSIGNOR WOODS AND AN AFRICAN MONSIGNOR WHO IS THE BROTHER-IN-LAW OF KENYA PRESIDENT KENYATTA.

2. THE CHAIRMAN CANDIDLY TOLD ME THAT IN THEIR MEETING YESTERDAY WITH THE AFRICAN BISHOPS THEY FOUND THE AFRICAN BISHOPS UNANIMOUS IN THEIR ASSESSMENT THAT AMIN HAS DECIDED TO SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE IF NOT ELIMINATE FOREIGN MISSIONARIES. THE STRATEGY OF THE DELEGATION THEREFORE IS TO INFLUENCE OR "PRESSURE" AMIN TO POSTPONE IMPLEMENTING THIS DECISION.

3. IN REGARD TO THE MISSIONARIES THEIR CURRENT STRATEGY IS:

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A. EMPHASIZE THE "SOCIAL UTILITY" OF THE MISSIONARIES AS TEACHERS, DOCTORS AND NURSES;

B. TO INDICATE HOW SHOCKED THE POPE AND AFRICAN LEADERS WILL BE IF AMIN PROCEEDS WITH HIS THREATS.

4. THE DELEGATION HAS ANOTHER PERSONAL LETTER FROM THE POPE WHICH IS WARM IN TONAL QUALITY AND URGES PRESIDENT AMIN TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEMS OPENLY WITH THE POPE'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVES. IT IS HOPED THAT THE PRESENCE OF KENYATTA'S BROTHER-IN-LAW (WHOSE NAME I WILL REPORT TOMORROW), THE FIRST AFRICAN PRIEST TO SERVE IN THE VATICAN SECRETARY OF STATE AND WHO IS NOW STATIONED IN NAIROBI, WILL HELP BECAUSE HE WILL REPORT HOW VARIOUS AFRICAN LEADERS, INCLUDING KENYATTA, RESPECT FOREIGN MISSIONARIES AND ARE ASKING FOR MORE.

5. THE MORE COMPLICATED ASPECT OF THE PAPAL MISSION IS THE LOCAL UGANDA CATHOLIC CHURCH. THE DELEGATION HAS MADE THE DECISION NOT TO RAISE THE QUESTION OF ACCUSATIONS OF AMIN AGAINST THE ARCHBISHOP OF KAMPALA AND SELECT FOREIGN MISSIONARIES. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DELEGATION SAID THAT SINCE THE CHARGES ARE OBVIOUSLY FALSE, THEIR INSISTING ON AN APOLOGY OR RETRACTION WOULD GAIN NOTHING. IT MIGHT JUST AGGRAVATE AMIN. IF ON THE OTHER HAND AMIN BRINGS UP THE CHARGES THE DELEGATION WILL SAY THAT THE CHARGES ARE MOST SERIOUS AND THAT THE POPE MUST HAVE THE INFORMATION SO THAT HE COULD PROCEED WITH AN INVESTIGATION.

6. DELEGATION HAS BEEN TOLD THAT PRESIDENT AMIN WILL RECEIVE THEM WITHIN THE NEXT DAY OR SO. END.
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SUBJECT: PLANNING FOR US PROTECTION OF BRITISH INTERESTS IN UGANDA.

1. SUMMARY. STEWART, BRITISH HEAD OF CHANCERY, CALLED ON DCM DEC. 16 TO PRESENT SOME DETAILS OF WHAT ASSISTANCE BRITISH WOULD HOPE WE COULD GIVE THEM IN KAMPALA SHOULD GENERAL AMIN ANNOUNCE A BREAK OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH UK WHEN HE ADDRESSES NATION AT MIDNIGHT DEC. 17 OR SHOULD SUBSEQUENT DEVELOPMENTS LEAD TO A BREAK. DETAILS OF BHC PLANNING SET FORTH BELOW. END SUMMARY.

2. STEWART SAID HE HAS NO IDEA WHAT GENERAL AMIN IS GOING TO ANNOUNCE TOMORROW NIGHT. HE THINKS CHANGE IN GENERAL'S PLANS RESULTED FROM HIS WISH NOT TO GIVE BRITISH ANY CHANCE TO RESPOND TO WHATEVER "DRASTIC DECISION" HE WILL ANNOUNCE. BHC HAD PREPARED A GENERAL STATEMENT OF RESPONSE WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN IN NATURE OF A CRITIQUE OF AMIN'S TREATMENT OF BRITISH COMMUNITY AND BRITISH ASIANS, AS WELL AS A SERIES OF CARDS TO RESPOND SPECIFICALLY TO POINTS AMIN MIGHT HAVE RAISED AT MEETING WITH BRITISH COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES. THESE WILL NOT NOW BE USED AS THERE WILL BE NO OPPORTUNITY.

3. STEWART SAID HE HAD BEEN SENT TO KAMPALA THREE MONTHS AGO TO MAKE ADMINISTRATIVE PREPARATIONS FOR A BREAK IN RELATIONS AND TO HEAD UP AN INTERESTS SECTION IF IT SHOULD COME TO THAT. HE HAS SUPERVISED DESTRUCTION OR REMOVAL

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OF MOST OF BHC'S CLASSIFIED MATERIAL. HIS PLANNING FORESEES THREE POSSIBILITIES:

(A) FIRST, WHICH HE DOES NOT NECESSARILY VISUALIZE, WOULD BE A COMPLETE BREAK IN RELATIONS, IN MANNER OF ISRAELIS. HE WOULD HOPE GOU WOULD GIVE MISSION SEVEN TO TEN DAYS TO GET OUT. TO EVACUATE MISSION PERSONNEL THEY WOULD BRING IN GOVERNMENT CHARTER FLIGHT. PLANE WOULD BE CIVILIAN BUT MANNED BY RAF PERSONNEL IN PLAINCLOTHES, WITH SECURITY PERSONNEL TO GUARD CLASSIFIED EQUIPMENT. IF NECESSARY ADDITIONAL CHARTERS WOULD BE USED TO EVACUATE PRIVATE COMMUNITY. STEWART EXPECTS TO BE ABLE TO BURN ALL REMAINING CLASSIFIED WITHIN SIX HOURS OF SIGNAL. HE WOULD BE LEFT WITH TWO ITEMS THEY WOULD LIKE TO TAKE OUT: (1) ABOUT FIFTY 50-POUND BAGS OF UNCLASSIFIED BUT RESTRICTED CONSULAR RECORDS, MAINLY DEALING WITH BRITISH ASIANS. THESE ARE NEEDED TO HANDLE APPEALS FROM ASIANS DENIED BRITISH PASSPORTS. (2) 4 TO 5 SIMILARLY-SIZED BAGS OF HIGHLY CLASSIFIED CYPHER EQUIPMENT (WORTH ABOUT $200,000). IF THEY HAD TO LEAVE IN A HURRY AND COULD NOT GET THESE TWO THINGS OUT, THEY WOULD PREFER NOT TO DESTROY THEM AND WOULD HOPE THEY COULD TURN THEM OVER TO US. CONSULAR RECORDS WOULD NOT NEED SPECIALLY SECURE STOWAGE BUT CYPHER EQUIPMENT OF COURSE WOULD.

(B) A BREAK IN RELATIONS BUT PERMISSION GRANTED BY GOU TO HAVE A BRITISH INTERESTS SECTION ATTACHED TO OUR EMBASSY. STEWART WOULD HEAD IT. UK STAFF WOULD TOTAL TWELVE, FOUR OFFICERS (CHIEF, CONSULAR, POLITICAL, AID) AND EIGHT STAFF. THEY WOULD CONTINUE TO OCCUPY THEIR CHANCERY, WHICH WOULD BE MANNED 24 HOURS A DAY, WITH SECURITY OFFICER SLEEPING IN. THEY NOW HAVE ON-LINE COMMO EQUIPMENT. THEY WOULD HOPE TO CONTINUE OPERATING IT. IF GOU DENIED THEM PERMISSION TO USE WIRELESS THEY WOULD PLAN TO "RETREAT" IN STAGES TO AUTOMATIC OFF-LINE, THEN NON-AUTOMATIC OFF-LINE, FINALLY ONE-TIME-PAD, COMBINED WITH TELEX. IF DENIED PERMISSION TO TELEX CYPHERED MESSAGES THEY WOULD ASK US FOR COMMO SERVICE, BUT WOULD PLAN TO SUPPLY US WITH ENCRYPTED TAPES TO SEND OVER OUR TELEX.

(C) NO BREAK BUT A REDUCTION IN BHC STAFF ORDERED BY GOU. STEWART SAID "MAGIC NUMBER" IN AFRICA SEEMS TO BE

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TWELVE SO HE EXPECTS BHC MIGHT BE ASKED TO REDUCE TO THAT LEVEL. BHC STAFF WOULD THEN BE IDENTICAL TO INTERESTS SECTION DESCRIBED UNDER (B) ABOVE. THEY WOULD OPERATE SIMILARLY, BUT UNDER UK RATHER THAN US FLAG. INFORMATION CENTER WOULD BE CLOSED AND AID STAFF WOULD BE RUN DOWN TO ZERO AS ASSISTANCE PERSONNEL PHASE OUT.

4. STEWART SAID HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH US AGAIN FOLLOWING GENERAL'S SPEECH.
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SUBJECT: PAUL ETIANG WANTS OUT

UN RES REP WINSTON PRATTLEY (PROTECT) TOLD DCM DEC. 15 THAT FON MIN PERM SEC RECENTLY ASKED HIM MOST CONFIDENTIALLY IF HE COULD HELP HIM FIND A JOB WITH UN ANYWHERE OUTSIDE UGANDA. ETIANG FEARS FOR HIS LIFE, PRATTLEY SAID, AS HE BELIEVES AMIN'S "MILITARY THUGS" HAVE MARKED HIM OUT FOR ELIMINATION. REASON IS THAT "THUGS" THINK ETIANG HAS BEEN TOO MUCH IN THE LIMELIGHT, EXERCISES TOO MUCH INFLUENCE, IS TOO CLOSE TO WESTERNERS (I.E. "IMPERIALISTS" AMIN IS CONTINUALLY RANTING ABOUT). DCM AGREED WITH PRATTLEY THAT ETIANG IS A PERSON DEFINITELY WORTH "SAVING" IF HE CAN BE HELPED, FOR HE IS ONE OF ABLEST AND BEST-INTENTIONED UGANDANS AND COULD PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN A POST-AMIN REGIME. THEY ALSO AGREED THAT IF ETIANG LEAVES UGANDA US AND UN MISSIONS WOULD BE THE LOSER, AS HE HAS ALWAYS TRIED TO BE HELPFUL THOUGH ADMITTEDLY HE RARELY SUCCEEDS EXCEPT WITH FAIRLY ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS.
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SUBJECT: AMCITS IN UGANDA

REF: STATE 220557; KAMPALA 4773

1. MAIN PURPOSE OF CALL ON MOFA PERMSEC PAUL ETIAN ON DEC. 8 WAS TO SET THE STAGE FOR DEPARTURE OF SOME AMERICAN CITIZENS WHO ARE MISSIONARIES OR WHO ARE ASSOCIATED WITH MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS.

2. I POINTED OUT RECENT STATEMENTS AND DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING MISSIONARIES HAVE RESULTED IN SOME OF OUR AMERICAN CITIZENS PLANNING TO LEAVE. HE SEEMED TO ACCEPT THAT AS A FACT.

3. IT WAS EVIDENT THAT HE WAS NOT IN AGREEMENT WITH THE RECENT ANTI-MISSIONARY STATEMENTS AND ACTIONS. HE SAID HE FELT THAT ANY MISSIONARY WITH PROPER DOCUMENTS WHO APPEALED HIS CASE WOULD HAVE HIS VISA EXTENDED IF THERE WERE NOT ANYTHING SPECIAL ABOUT THE PERSON CONCERNED. I BELIEVE IN ESSENCE HE SAID HE WOULD HOPE THIS WOULD BE TRUE AS THE WHOLE DRAMA CONCERNING MISSIONARIES IS CLEARLY BEING DECIDED BY FORCES NOT INCLUDING THE FOREIGN OFFICE.

4. EMBASSY KAMPALA BELIEVES THAT THE SITUATION IS STILL PREGNANT WITH

RISK. AMIN HAS BEEN NICE TO AMERICAN FOR TWO AND ONE HALF MONTHS, BUT WHO KNOWS WHEN HE WILL CHANGE. I AM MEETING INDEPENDENTLY WITH MISSIONARY PERSONNEL AND BELIEVE WE WILL

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SEE CONTINUED EXFILTRWTION OF AMERICAN CITIZENS. ALSO BELIEVE WE CAN ORCHESTRATE IT WITHOUT HAVING ANY NEGATIVE RESPONSE FROM THE GOU.

5. OUR CHATS THE LAST FEW DAYS WITH BOTH CATHOLIC AND PROTESTANT MISSIONARIES INDICATE THAT THERE ARE MORE IN THE GROUP THAT CAN BE INFLUENCED TO LEAVE THAN WE ORIGINALLY THOUGHT.
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SUBJ: OBSERVATIONS ON AMIN'S CONFRONTATION WITH FOREIGN MISSIONARIES AND CATHOLIC CHURCH OF UGANDA

1. THE CONFRONTATION IS IN FULL BLOOM. OUR IMMEDIATE INTEREST IS THE AMERICAN MISSIONARIES. AS A MINIMUM WE WANT TO BE ABLE TO:
A. PROTECT THEM AGAINST MOLESTATION,
B. PRECLUDE THEIR BEING USED BY AMIN TO START ATTACKING VERBALLY THE US

2. I HAVE NOW MET MOST OF OUR MISSIONARIES AND, AS REPORTED, AM IMPRESSED WITH THEIR MAUTRITY AND COOLNESS.

3. THEY ARE ALSO DEDICATED TO THE PEOPLE OF UGANDA. SO MANY HAVE EXPRESSED TO ME THEIR LOVE FOR THE UGANDAN PEOPLE AND THEIR DESIRE TO CONTINUE HERE AS TEACHERS, NURSES, AND DOCTORS. FURTHERMORE, THE MISSIONARIES WITH THEIR SPECIALITIES ARE CLEARLY NEEDED IN THIS AFRICAN COUNTRY'S STRUGGLE AGAINST POVERTY, ILLITERACY AND DISEASE.

4. WHAT MORE CAN WE DO THAN THE (VERY IMPORTANT) MINIMUM? THE CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES CERTAINLY WANT TO STAY. THE UGANDA CATHOLIC CHRUCH LEADERSHIP WANTS THEM TO STAY. HERE I AM FACED WITH A DILEMA. ON THE ONE HAND, I GREATLY ADMIRE

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THEIR DEDICATION, THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE OF UGANDA AND THEIR DESIRE NOT TO DESERT THEM IN A DIFFICULT MOMENT.

5. ON THE OTHER HAND, OUR WORKING ASSUMPTION MUST BE THAT UGANDA IS UNFORTUNATELY STUCK WITH AMIN FOR THE TIME BEING. AS LONG AS THAT IS TRUE, THE SECURITY SITUATION FOR OUR CITIZENS WILL BE ONE OF CONCERN. ON THE SECURITY SIDE I AM INCLINED TO SUGGEST THT WE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF AMIN'S ANTI-MISSIONARY POSTURE AND FACILITATE THE DEPARTURE OF AMERICAN MISSIONARIES. THIS WOULD ALMOST CUT OUR AMCIT PRESENCE IN UGANDA IN HALF FROM THE PRESENT 500 PLUS.

6. NO ONE IN THE WESTERN DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY, INCLUDING THE PRO-NUNCIO, BELIEVES THAT THERE IS ANY DANGER TO THE PHYSICAL SECURITY OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONARIES.

7. WE ARE IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE PRO-NUNCIO AND OUR WESTERN COLLEAGUES. SO FAR, APART FROM ASSURING THAT THE EMBASSY IS AT FULL READINESS TO HANDLE ANY EVENTUALLY CONCERNING AMERICAN MISSIONARIES, I AM WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE NUNCIO IN SUGGESTING STRAGETY TO HIM. HE, IN MY OPINION, MUST PLAY THE QUARTERBACK ROLE IN ANY COLLECTIVE DIPLOMATIC EFFORT.

8. INTERWOVEN WITH HIS CONFRONTATION WITH FOREIGN MISSIONARIES IS AMIN'S FRONTAL ATTACK ON THE LEADERSHIP OF THE UGANDAN CATHOLIC CHRUCH (KAMPALA 4472) COMING 3-1/2 YEARS AFTER POPE PAUL SELECTED UGANDA AS THE COUNTRY TO HONOR WITH THE FIRST PAPAL VISIT TO AFRICA AND 8 YEARS AFTER THE HOLY SEE CANNONIZED 22 UGANDAN MARTYERS. THIS DEVELOPMENT MUST COME AS A GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH LEADERSHIP AT THE VATICAN. IT NOW REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHAT THE CATHOLICS OF UGANDA WILL DO. IN PREVIOUS PERIODS OF UGANDA'S HISTORY, CATHOLICS TURNED TO VIOLENCE TO PROTECT THEIR RIGHTS. HOW WILL THEY RESPOND TO AMIN'S ATTACK ON THEIR LEADERSHIP? WHAT WILL THE RESPONSE OF THE VATICAN BE?
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SUBJECT: INFORMATION ON NEW TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING MISSIONARIES

REF: REF: KAMPALA 4702

1. I MET WITH BISHOP MCCAULEY AT THIS RESIDENCE IN FORT PORTAL NOV. 29. HE HAD JUST RETURNED FROM AN ALL-DAY SESSION WITH HIS COLLEAGUE CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF UGANDA.

2. THEY HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT THE NEW REGULATIONS CONCERNING MISSIONARIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. NO NEW MISSIONARIES WILL BE ALLOWED INTO UGANDA.

B. MISSIONARIES WHOSE PAPERS ARE NOT IN ORDER MUST LEAVE WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. (BISHOP SAYS AROUND 30 CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES ARE IN THIS CATEGORY.)

C. ONCE A MISSIONARY LEAVES UGANDA FOR WHATEVER REASON HE WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RETURN REGARDLESS OF WHAT HIS VISA MIGHT HAVE ORIGINALLY INDICATED.

3. THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS INTERPRET THIS AS THE FIRST STEP OF A PLAN TO SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THE PRESENCE OF MISSIONARIES IN UGANDA. BISHOP SAID THAT THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS FEEL THAT THIS DIRECTIVE IS ESPECIALLY AIMED AT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH BECAUSE OF THE FACT IT HAS OVER A THOUSAND MISSIONARIES AND, IN ADDITION TO THE HELP IT RECEIVES FROM THESE MISSIONARIES, IT RECEIVES

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE MISSIONARIES' HOME ORGANIZATIONS SPONSORING THE MISSIONARIES IN UGANDA.

4. THE BISHOPS AGREED ON THE FOLLOWING STRATEGY:

THEY SOUGHT THIS MORNING, NOV. 30, A MEETING WITH THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE AND INTERIOR, CHARLES OBOTH-OFUMBI, TO CLARIFY THESE RESTRICTIONS. BISHOP MCCAULEY SHOWED ME A CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM SIGNED BY ALL THE BLACK AFRICAN BISHOPS. THE MEMORANDUM EXMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONARIES TO THE WELL BEING OF THE PEOPLE OF UGANDA, CITING THEIR NUMBERS AS TEACHERS, NURSES AND DOCTORS.

5. BISHOP MCCAULEY PLAYED A LEADING ROLE IN DESIGNING THE STRATEGY, WHICH IN THE FIRST INSTANCE IS TO AVOID CONFRONTATION. HE DOES NOT IN ANY SENSE ELIMINATE THE POSSIBILITY OF ULTIMATE CONFRONTATION, ESPECIALLY IF IT SOON BECOMES EVIDENT THAT THERE IS A FULL-FLEDGED PLOT TO ELIMINATE ALL CHRISTIAN MISSIONARIES FROM UGANDA.

6. BISHOP MCCAULEY ALSO TOLD ME THAT HE HAS MET WITH MOST OF THE AMERICAN CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES AND ENUNCIATED TO THEM THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES:

A. MAKE SURE YOUR PAPERS ARE IN ORDER AND EMPHASIZE PROFESSIONAL STATUS (TEACHER, DOCTOR, NURSE) RATHER THAN MISSIONARY.

B. FOR THE TIME BEING USE AS MUCH PATIENCE, LOGIC AND REASONING THAT WILL END UP IN THE MISSIONARY BEING ABLE TO STAY.

C. ALL MISSIONARIES ARE COMMITTED TO STAY REGARDLESS OF HARDSHIPS. THEY SHOULD TAKE THEIR INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE LOCAL AFRICAN BISHOPS WHERE THEY ARE ASSIGNED.

7. THE BISHOP TOLD ME THAT ALL CATHOLIC MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS ARE QUIETLY SIGNING OVER THEIR PROPERTY TO THE BLACK AFRICAN BISHOPS WHERE THEY ARE ASSIGNED.

8. NONE OF THIS INFORMATION HAS AS YET BEEN MADE PUBLIC AND BISHOP MCCAULEY GAVE IT TO ME WITH THE UNDERSTANDING WE WILL PROTECT IT COMPLETELY. GDS.

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SUBJECT: WILLIAM OCORA, FUGITIVE

1. EMBOFF ENCOUNTERED OCORA BY CHANCE IN BAT VALLEY RESTAURANT OCT 17. OCORA SAID HE IS LIVING AT HOME, IS BEING "WATCHED", HAS NOT BEEN PICKED UP, HAS NOT RECEIVED AN ANSWER TO HIS LETTER TO PRESIDENT. HE PASSED NOTE TO EMBOFF WHICH READ AS FOLLOWS: QTE: I AM NEARLY FOUR DAYS TO SALVATION, ALMIGHTY GOD WILLING. I HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND IUOTO MEETING IN GENEVA. ONLY MINISTER'S PERMISSION IS NECESSARY. UNQTE

2. MINISTER IS APOLO KIRONDE.
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FORASST SECY NEWSOM AND AF/E COOTE

REF: A) KAMPALA 3797 B) STATE 174388

1. THIS CONSTITUTES FINAL STATUS REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF COURSES OF ACTION SET FORTH IN IG'S "CONTINGENCY REPORT ON UGANDA" PER REF B.

A) JEWISH AMCITS: NO CHANGE SINCE REF A. CONSIDER THIS PROJECT COMPLETED TO BEST OF OUR ABILITY.
B) SINCE REF A USG PRESENCE HAS BEEN REDUCED BY THIRTEEN PERSONS TO NEW TOTAL OF 134 AS OF OCT 17. THIS FIGURE MAY BE FURTHER REDUCED IN COMING WEEKS THROUGH ADDITONAL VOLUNTARY DEPARTURES, ALTHOUGH MOST LIKELY IT WILL STABLIZE AT PRESENT LEVEL, ESPECIALLY IF LIMITED NUMBER DEPENDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN KEPT FROM RETURNING OR ARRIVING WITH EMPLOYEES ARE PERMITTED COME HERE, AS WE SHALL BE RECOMMENDING BY SEPTEL IN PREPARATION. UNLESS INTERNAL SITUATION WORSENS WE BELIEVE THIS LEVEL OF USG PRESENCE IS MANAGEABLE FOR PRESENT. NUMBER OF PRIVATE AMCITS REGISTERED WITH CONSULAR SECTION REDUCED BY TWELVE SINCE REF A BUT ALSO INCREASED BY 14 NEW REGISTRATIONS, MAKING NET ADDITION OF TWO TO NEW LEVEL OF 567. AGAIN, BELIEVE FIGURE WILL STABLIZE AT ABOUT THIS LEVEL UNLESS INTERNAL SITUATION DETERIORATES APPRECIABLY.
C) TOURISM STILL AT OR CLOSE TO NIL AND LIKELY REMAIN THERE UNLESS INTERNAL SECURITY AND UGANDA'S IMAGE ABROAD BOTH IMPROVE DRAMATICALLY.
D) ALL RCVS OUT OF COUNTRY AS OF OCT 14. STAFF REMAINS FOR TIME BEING.

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E) SINCE REF A THERE HAVE BEEN A FEW ADDITIONAL DEPARTURES BY USAID PERSONNEL AND DEPENDENTS, WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR DROP IN USG PRESENCE NOTED UNDER (B) ABOVE.
F) WARDEN SYSTEM CONTINUES TO FUNCTION WELL.

2. COMMENT: BELIEVE IT APPROPRAITE TO NOTE AT THIS TIME THAT DEPARTURE OF ENTIRE PCV CONTINGENT PLUS APPRECIABLE REDUCTION OF OTHER USG AND PRIVATE AMERICAN PERSONNEL WAS ACHIEVED WITHOUT SERIOUS ADVERSE REACTIONS ON PART GOU, AND PARTICULARLY GENERAL AMIN, AT LEAST TO DATE. ALL THIS WAS ALSO ACCOMPANIED WITH A MINIMUM OF COOPERATION ON PART OF GOU, EXCEPT FOR SOME HELP WITH IN-GATHERING OF PCVS FROM SOUTHWESTERN UGANDA. ESSENTIALLY WE DID THE JOB OURSELVES. THIS IS WHY IT TOOK LONGER THAN WE MIZHT OTHERWOSE HAVE DESIRED. OUR AIM WAS TO BALANCE SECURITY OF OPERATION--SAFETY OF PEOPLE INVOLVED--WITH MAXIMUM SPEED WE COULD ATTAIN. OUR AIM WAS TO AVOID ANY MAJOR INCIDENTS. WE DID RECEIVE THE COOPERATION OF SOME OFFICIALS OF FONMIN SUCH AS ETIANG AND OFWONO, WHO WE BELIEVE HAVE A FRIENDLY DISPOSI- TION TOWARD US AND A GOOD UNDERSTANDING OF OUR PROBLEMS, WHICH ASSISTED US IN MINIMIZING AN ADVERSE CLIMATE WITHIN THE GOU, AND (THUS FAR, WE MUST REITERATE) AMIN'S WRATH HAS NOT COME DOWN ON OUR HEADS. WE HAVE, OF COURSE, BEEN LUCKY AS WELL, BUT LUCK IS SOMETHING WE CANNOT COUNT ON. WHAT HAS BEEN HELPFUL--AND THIS IS THE POINT OF THESE COMMENTS--HAS BEEN THE DEPARTMENTS'S (AND OTHER WASHINGTON AGENCIES') WILLINGNESS TO GRANT US FLEXIBILITY AS TO THE TACTICS TO BE EMPLOYED LOCALLY IN CARRYING OUT THIS OPERATION. THE LOCAL CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN RATHER FASTMOVING AND UNPREDICTABLE, WHICH IS WHY THIS TACTICAL FLEXIBILITY HAS BEEN SUCH AN ESSENTIAL INGREDIENT OF SUCCESS TO DATE. WISH TO THANK ALL CONCERNED FOR THE FINE BACK-STOPPING WE HAVE RECEIVED.
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FOR ASSISTANT SECY OF STATE NEWSOM AND AF/E COOTE

SUBJECT: PRESENT ACTIONS IN UGANDA

REFS: A. STATE 174388; B. KAMPALA 3554

THIS IS STATUS REPORT ON OUR PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING THE SEVERAL COURSES OF ACTION SET FORTH IN IG'S "CONTINGENCY REPORT ON UGANDA" AND COMMUNICATED TO US IN REF (A):
A. EVACUATION OF ALL AMERICANS OF JEWISH FAITH: SEE KAMPALA 3778 FOR FINAL SITREP ON THIS PROJECT. THREE REMAIN, ONE OF WHOM DUE OUT NOVEMBER, SECOND DUE OUT DECEMBER, THIRD PLANS REMAIN IN UGANDA. DR. VOGEL ARRIVED OCT 11 FOR ONE-WEEK VISIT TO CHECK ON CANCER INSTITUTE (KAMPALA 3788).

B. EFFORTS TO KEEP ALL AMCITS INFORMED OF OUR GENERAL CONCERN HAVE CONTINUED AND WILL CONTINUE. USG PRESENCE (NOT COUNTING RCV'S, WHICH COVERED BELOW) HAS BEEN REDUCED FROM A NORMAL 254 TO A FIGURE OF 147. THIS HAS RESULTED FROM SOME EARLY DEPARTURES ON LEAVE OR TRANSFER, TEMPORARY HOLD ON RETURN OF SOME DEPENDENTS, VOLUNTARY DEPARTURE OF SOME DEPENDENTS AND NON-ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL, AND NORMAL ABSENCE AT SCHOOLS AWAY FROM POST OF NUMBER OF CHILDREN. NUMBER OF REGISTERED PRIVATE AMCITS HAS DROPPED FROM 625 TO FIGURE OF 565 NET TODAY. THIS AMOUNTS TO A MORE SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION THAN IS APPARENT FOR THERE WERE A LARGE NUMBER OF LATE REGISTRATIONS.

C. AMERICAN TOURISM TO UGANDA HAS DROPPED TO ZERO OR VERY CLOSE TO IT.

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D. ALL PCV'S HAVE BEEN REGROUPED TO KAMPALA. ALL BUT 17 HAVE LEFT COUNTRY. ALL REPEAT ALL PCV'S WILL HAVE DEPARTED BY OCT 14 IF ALL GOES WELL. THREE PC/U STAFF WILL REMAIN FOR THE TIME BEING.

E. SOME USAID PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN REGROUPED, OTHERS REMAIN AT THEIR STATIONS WITH TRAVEL RESTRICTED. ALL ARE CONSIDERED TO BE LOCATED IN PLACES OF SAFETY. PRACTICALLY ALL PRIVATE AMERICANS WHO HAVE REMAINED IN UGANDA ARE AT THEIR PLACES OF WORK, INTEND TO STAY THERE AND ARE NOT FEARFUL.

F. WE REMAIN IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH ALL AMERICANS THROUGH WARDEN SYSTEM, WHICH NOW FUNCTIONING WELL.

CONCLUSION: TOTAL NUMBER OF AMCITS IN COUNTRY IS 732 TODAY, REPRESENTING A CONSIDERABLE REDUCTION BUT NOT A HIGHLY VISIBLE ONE. WITH EXCEPTION OF PCV DEPARTURE. BY COMING WEEKEND FIGURE SHOULD BE DOWN TO ABOUT 710.
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SUBJECT: PROPOSED MEISLER STORY

REF: KAMPALA 3548; STATE 179230; NAIROBI 4859; KAMPALA 3619

1. GRATIFIED VARIOUS EFFORTS TO STOP A MAJOR STORY ON DEPARTURE OF US PEACE CORPS BEFORE THEY ARE OUT OF UGANDA HAVE SO FAR BEEN SUCCESSFUL. MANY HAVE HELPED US IN THIS TASK.

2. OUR ONLY CONCERN REMAINS THE SECURITY OF THESE AMCITS. ANY PREMATURE LEAK ON WHAT WE ARE ORCHESTRATING WOULD PRESENT A CLEAR AND PRESENT DANGER TO THE LIVES OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE.
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SUBJECT: ASYLUM

REF: KAMPALA 3565

1. AS MENTIONED REFTEL, BILL OCORA, AN ACHOLI WHO HEADS UGANDA TOURISM BOARD AND LONG-TIME FRIEND OF THIS EMBASSY, CAME TO AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE SATURDAY AFTERNOON, SEPT. 30, SEEKING REFUGE OR, IN HIS WORDS, ASYLUM. HE HAD ESCAPED FROM HIS HOUSE DURING PREVIOUS NIGHT IN HIS PAJAMAS WHEN SOLDIERS CAME TO TAKE HIM AWAY. HE ASSUMES HE WILL BE MURDERED IF APPREHENDED. WE EXPLAINED TO HIM OUR INABILITY TO GRANT ASYLUM AS HE REQUESTED, BUT OUT OF HUMANITARIAN CONCERN WE GAVE HIM TEMPORARY REFUGE, FOOD, CLOTHING, MONEY AND ADVICE. HE WILL ATTEMPT REACH HIS HOME DISTRICT OF ACHOLI AND THEN TRY TO GET OUT OF COUNTRY. (THIS IS SENSITIVE ITEM AND SHOULD BE CLOSELY HELD.)

2. COMMENT: WE ARE OF COURSE AWARE OF BASIC GUIDANCE ON QUESTION OF ASYLUM CONTAINED IN 2 FAM 225.2 AND OTHER INSTRUCTIONS BUT THEY ARE DIFFICULT TO APPLY IN PRESENT CONDITIONS IN UGANDA. CASE OF OCORA IS TYPICAL: THOUGH HE WAS NOT BEING PURSUED BY MOB, HE WAS IN OBVIOUS DANGER OF VIOLENCE AND/OR DEATH IF WE SIMPLY DROVE HIM OFF DIPLOMATIC PROPERTY IN CONDITION HE WAS IN. SEEKING QTE ASSURANCES FROM ESTABLISHED NATIONAL GOVERNMENT THAT REFUGEE'S PERSONAL SAFETY IS GUARANTEED AGAINST LAWLESS OR ARBITRARY ACTIONS AND THAT HE WILL BE ACCORDED DUE PROCESS OF LAW UNQTE WOULD BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE OF COURSE, SINCE AUTHORS OF THE LAWLESS AND ARBITRARY ACTIONS ARE THE SECURITY FORCES OF THE UGANDAN GOVERNMENT, WHICH,

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MOREOVER, HAS ALREADY FLUNKED ON ALL ASPECTS OF DUE PROCESS OF LAW. TO ADVISE GOU THAT OCORA IS WITH US AND TO REQUEST HE BE WELL-TREATED WOULD PROBABLY SIGN HIS DEATH WARRANT AS WELL AS BRING GOU DOWN ON OUR HEADS FOR HAVING HARBORED HIM EVEN FOR A MINUTE. DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE FOR HANDLING THESE DIFFICULT SITUATIONS WOULD OF COURSE BE WELCOME, THOUGH SPECIFIC CIRCUMSTANCES ARE LIKELY TO VARY A GREAT DEAL FROM CASE TO CASE.
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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY NEWSOM AND ACTING DIRECTOR BLATCHFORD

REF: KAMPALA 3556

HAVE JUST READ KAMPALA 3556 WHICH RAULLERSON DISCUSSED WITH ME. ABSOLUTELY IMPERATIVE THAT HE REMAIN TO CARRY OUT THIS MOST SENSITIVE AND STRATEGIC ORCHESTRATION OF PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS FROM UGANDA.

HE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE GOU AS THE PEACE CORPS REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR AFRICA. IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO USE THIS TITLE AND AUTHORITY FOR THE REMAINING TIME THAT HE IS HERE.

THIS NEED FOR TITLE AND AUTHORITY IS ALSO TRUE IN OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS. A FEW ARE NOT GOING TO LEAVE EASILY, AND WE NEED RAULLERSON'S PRESTIGE, TITLE, AND ABILITY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS VERY DIFFICULT TASK.
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REF: STATE 174388

FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY NEWSOM AND AF/E COOTE

SUBJECT: PRESENT ACTION IN UGANDA

1. I HAVE JUST COMPLETED A SATURDAY REVIEW ON OUR PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING CONTINGENCY REPORT ON UGANDA, AS APPROVED BY INTERDEPARTMENTAL GROUP AND SET FORTH IN STATE 174388.

A. JEWISH AMERICAN CITIZENS
1. MAJORITY HAVE LEFT. OTHERS DUE TO LEAVE THIS WEEK. HAVE THREE OBSTINATE CASES AND WILL AGAIN CALL THEM IN TO REURGE THEM TO LEAVE.

B. PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS
A. REGROUPING IN KAMPALA PROCEEDING WELL. BY TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, FIFTY VOLUNTEERS AND SEVEN CHILDREN (THAT COVERS ALL CHILDREN) WILL HAVE LEFT.

2. MOVING AS RAPIDLY AS WE CAN TO ACCOMPLISH GOALS OF STATE 174388 WITH SPEED AND SAFETY.

3. STAFF IS SUFFICIENT. HESS HAS GIVEN PERMISSION FOR RAULLERSON TO STAY, WHICH IS IMPORTANT.

4. ABOUT 10-12 PCVS ARE OBJECTING TO DEPARTING. I WILL SEE EACH ONE TO URGE THEM TO LEAVE VOLUNTARILY. THIS MORNING I SAW THE FIRST TWO OF THOSE RELUCTANT TO LEAVE, AND THEY

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HAVE AGREED TO LEAVE. WILL CONCENTRATE ON THE OTHERS THIS WEEKEND.

5. ALL OUR PUBLIC COMMENTS HERE ARE THAT OUR PCVS ARE LEAVING VOLUNTARILY, AS ARE VOLUNTEERS FROM OTHER WESTERN COUNTRIES.

C. INFORMING ALL AMERICANS OF OUR GENERAL CONCERN. AS ALREADY NOTED, MISSIONARIES ARE NOT LEAVING. SEPTEL FOLLOWS.

D. TRAVEL BAN SEEMS TO BE EFFECTIVE. ONLY ONE OR TWO STRAY TOURISTS HAVE COME SINCE THE TRAVEL WARNING WAS GIVEN.

E. ALL AID PERSONNEL REGROUPED IN KAMPALA WITH EXCEPTION OF SEVEN. SPECIFIC PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED BY AID/W FOR THESE SEVEN TO REMAIN AT THEIR POSTS.

F. WE ARE KEEPING IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH AMERICANS (MISSIONARIES) WHO DO NOT WISH TO BE EVACUATED. SEPTEL FOLLOWS.

2. WE SEEM TO BE IN A QUIET PERIOD AND ARE THUS ABLE TO EXPEDITE THE ACCOM-
PLISMENT OF THE PRECEDING.

3. IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THIS LULL, IMPORTANT THAT NO ACTION OR PUBLICITY DEVELOP WHICH PLACES THE FINGER ON THE AMERICANS AS THE "ONES

WHO ARE PULLING OUT". GENERAL PUBLICITY ABOUT A REDUCTION OF A WESTERN PRESENCE WILL NOT HURT US.

4. WE HAVE ALL THE STAFF NEEDED EXCEPTING IF THERE SHOULD BE A SPECIAL ACTION IN REGARD TO UGANDA ASIANS.
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FOR ASST SECY NEWSOM

SUBJECT: REP OF COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR THE WELFARE OF ASIANS LEAVING UGANDA GOES TO UN.

1. MR. JOHN ENNALS LEFT TODAY FOR UN TO LOBBY ON BEHALF OF STATELESS ASIANS IN UGANDA. (THIS IS NOT THE MAKERERE GROUP.)

2. PER KAMPALA 3520, I MET WITH HIM AND HIS COLLEAGUES ON FRIDAY.

3. AFTER MEETING WITH ME, HE WENT AROUND TOWN CHECKING ON NUMBER OF VISAS WE HAVE GRANTED. HE HAD THE FIGURE "UNDER 12".

4. DESPITE MY ATTEMPTS, I FEAR HE MAY BE GOING TO UN "MAD" AT LACK OF U.S. RESPONSE TO ASIAN PLIGHT AND SAY SO.

5. CONTEMPLATED ACTION CONCERNING SPECIAL ALLOCATION COULD DETER THIS IF IT HAPPENS BEFORE MONDAY.

6. I HAVE PICKED UP STORIES THAT HE HAS BEEN SAYING THAT ADMINISTRATION IS RELUCTANT TO GRANT SPECIAL QUOTA TO ASIANS BEFORE ELECTIONS BECAUSE OF LABOR UNION PRESSURE. I FEAR THIS MAY BE HIS "LINE" IN NEW YORK.
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SUBJECT: EMBASSY STRATEGY TO NEUTRALIZE RUMORS CONCERNING A U.S. PULL OUT FROM UGANDA.

1. THE SEVERAL RUMORS THAT WE HAVE PICKED UP CONCERNING A PULL OUT OF VOLUNTEERS, AID, STOPPING OF LOANS AND AN EMBARGO ON UGANDA COFFEE CONCERN US.

2. WE HAVE CONSEQUENTLY DELIBERATELY CONTINUED OUR CONTACTS WITH THE GOU THIS WEEK ON AID PROJECTS, CU EDUCATION EXCHANGE PROGRAMS AND THE COFFEE AUTHORITIES.

3. AMIN HAS SAID THAT A "PULL OUT" OF ONE COUNTRY'S NATIONALS PRECEDES AN INVASION. IN THE VERY TENSE ATMOSPHERE OF UGANDA WE DO NOT WANT HIM TO GET THIS IMPRESSION--WHICH IN ADDITION TO NOT BEING ACCURATE--COULD BE HARMFUL TO SECURITY OF OUR CITIZENS.
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NAIROBI FOR AMBASSADOR

USIA FOR JAMES MC GINLEY, IAA, FROM MATEER

REF: NAIROBI 4774

SUBJECT: PCV DEPARTURES: PROPOSED MEISLER STORY

1. MEISLER STORY, IF PUBLISHED, WOULD BE LIABLE HAVE MOST SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES HERE. IN FIRST PLACE, HE HAS HIS "FACTS" WRONG. SECONDLY, THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY THAT ALL PCV'S WILL BE OUT OF UGANDA BY SUNDAY. THIRDLY, MEISLER IS APPARENTLY TOTALLY UNCONCERNED ABOUT EFFECT HIS STORY MIGHT HAVE ON SAFETY OF OTHER AMERICANS WHO WILL BE REMAINING BEHIND. I URGENTLY APPEAL TO ASST SECY NEWSOM AND AMB MCILVAINE TO TAKE UP THIS MATTER PERSONALLY WITH MEISLER AND WITH L.A. TIMES MANAGEMENT TO REQUEST THAT PUBLICATION THIS STORY BE POSTPONED. IT WILL BE UP TO THREE WEEKS BEFORE OUR PCV'S WHO WANT TO LEAVE ARE OUT OF UGANDA.

2. WITH MEISLER HIMSELF I SUGGEST HE BE TOLD WE ARE NOT CATERING TO AMIN'S WHIMS, BUT RATHER WE ARE TRYING TO REMOVE THREATENED AMERICAN CITIZENS FROM DANGER ZONE AND AT SAME TIME PRESERVE SOME SECURITY FOR THOSE WHO MUST OR CHOOSE TO STAY BEHIND. HIS PROPOSED STORY WILL INCREASE THE DANGERS FOR ALL AMERICANS IN UGANDA, INCLUDING SOME OF JEWISH FAITH WHO HAVE NOT YET DEPARTED

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COUNTRY (I WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT TELL MEISLER WE ARE ENCOURAGING DEPARTURE OF JEWISH AMERICANS OR WE WILL BE HANDING HIM ANOTHER DANGEROUS STORY).

3. WITH L.A. TIMES MANAGEMENT I WOULD STRESS MEISLER STORY IS NOT ACCURATE, FOR IT IS NOT AN EVACUATION BUT A DEPARTURE OF THOSE VOLUNTEERS WHO WISH TO LEAVE. I WOULD ALSO ASK THEM TO DELAY PUBLICATION UNTIL THEY ARE OUT--UP TO THREE WEEKS--ON THE BASIS THAT BY THAT TIME THE DEPARTURE OF THE BULK OF PCV'S WILL BE SEEN HERE AS PART OF A LARGER MOVEMENT OUT OF MOST FOREIGN VOLUNTEERS OF MANY NATIONALITIES, WHICH WOULD MAKE IT LESS LIKELY TO BE INTERPRETED AS A HOSTILE ACT BY THE USG AGAINST THE GOU. OBVIOUSLY THE PCV DEPARTURE IS NEWS AND STORIES WILL BE PUBLISHED. WHAT CONCERNS US IS THAT THEY DESCRIBE THE SITUATION ACCURATELY AND THAT THEY NOT ENDANGER OTHERS BY BEING PUBLISHED PREMATURELY.

4. NAIROBI 4774 WAS WAITING FOR ME WHEN I RETURNED FROM A LUNCHEON MEETING WITH MANY OF MY WESTERN COLLEAGUES. ALL OF US HAVE AGREED ON THE IMPERATIVE NATURE TO AVOID ANY INACCURATE PUBLICITY ABOUT AN EVACUATION. NO ONE IS DOING THAT. VOLUNTEERS OF VARIOUS GROUPS WHO WANT TO LEAVE ARE LEAVING. ALL ARE DESPERATELY TRYING TO AVOID ANY KIND OF PUBLICITY AS THAT COULD PRESENT A CLEAR AND PRESENT DANGER TO THE SECURITY OF OUR CITIZENS.
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SUBJECT: PEACE CORPS

REF: STATE 177158

FROM AMBASSADOR AND RAULLERSON

WE APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S AND PC'S CONSIDERATION OF OUR PROPOSAL. IN MEANTIME WE ARE PROCEEDING WITH REGROUPMENT OF ALL REPEAT ALL PCV'S INTO KAMPALA AND ORDERLY DEPARTURE OF PCV'S AS THEY ARE READY TO GO AND WE FIND SPACE FOR THEM. TIMING OF ACHIEVEMENT OF REGROUPMENT EFFORT IS DEPENDENT ON SPEED WITH WHICH GOU MOVES, FOR WE CANNOT GUARANTEE SAFE MOVEMENT OF PCV'S TO KAMPALA IN ABSENCE COOPERATION OF GOU IN PROVIDING TRANSPORT AND MILITARY/POLICE ESCORTS. PLEASE BE ASSURED WE ARE MOVING AS FAST AS WE CAN WITH ALL NECESSARY PRUDENCE. GDS
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SUBJECT: EMBASSY'S PLAN TO IMPLEMENT "PRESENT ACTIONS IN UGANDA"

REF: STATE 174388

1. WE CONCUR IN THE ASSUMPTION THAT PRESENT SITUATION WILL CONTINUE; SPECIFICALLY, THAT GENERAL AMIN WILL REMAIN CHIEF OF STATE; THAT THE UNDISCIPLINEDMILITARY WILL HAVE MORE POWER THAN PREVIOUSLY AS A RESULT OF THEIR RECENT"VICTORY"; THAT IMPULSIVE AND IRRESPONSIBLE INITIATIVES BY GENERAL AMIN WILL CONTINUE AND THAT THE GROWING ANTI-FOREIGN ATMOSPHERE WILL NOT ABATE.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT AMERICANS ARE NOT FOR THE TIME BEING THE PRIMARY TARGETS OF AMIN'S THINKING. THERE IS PLENTY OF EVIDENCE THAT HE WILL CONTINUE TO HARASS THE ASIANS AND THE BRITISH. OUR ORCHESTRATION MUST DO EVERYTHING TO KEEP HIS ATTENTION OFF US. WE PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING PLAN.
PHASE ONE

3. THE GOALS OF PHASE ONE ARE:
A. DEPARTURE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF ALL AMERICANS OF JEWISH FAITH;
B. COMPLETION OF OUR EFFORTS TO INFORM ALL AMERICANS OF OUR GENERAL CONCERN OVER THE SITUATION AND TO ENCOURAGE THE ORDERLY DEPARTURE OF ANY WHO DESIRE TO LEAVE OR WHO ARE NON-ESSENTIAL;
C. DISCOURAGE ALL FURTHER TRAVEL BY AMERICANS TO UGANDA. (HERE WE WILL BE ESPECIALLY DEPENDENT ON WASHINGTON AND NEIGHBORING EMBASSIES.) WITH THE PRECISE EXCEPTION OF A VERY FEW OFFICIAL VISITORS WHO MUST COME FOR PROFESSIONAL REASONS--LIKE RAULLERSON OF PC AND WINKLER OF USIS--ALL FURTHER TRAVEL SHOULD BE STRONGLY

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DISCOURAGED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

D. WE ARE OBTAINING UGANDAN COOPERATION IN REGROUPING THE PCV'S INTO KAMPALA. OUR IMMEDIATE GOAL IS TO GET THEM INTO THE CAPITAL, WHICH IS RELATIVELY SAFE. ONCE HERE, WE WILL QUIETLY ARRANGE FOR THEIR DEPARTURE IN SMALL GROUPS. WE BELIEVE IT IMPERATIVE IN PHASE ONE THAT NO WORD BE MENTIONED OF A TOTAL PC EVACUATION BUT RATHER TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE FOLLOWING:

(1) THE IMPACT OF THE DEATH OF PCV MORTON ON VOLUNTEERS;

(2) THE FACT THAT THEY ARE VOLUNTARY, UNLIKE AID OR DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL--AND WE CANNOT FORCE THEM TO STAY. IN QUIET CONVERSATION WITH THE GOU WE WOULD POINT OUT THAT MOST OF THEM WANT TO LEAVE.

(3) IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN OUR CREDIBILITY DURING SENSITIVE PHASE ONE, WE WANT TO FIND A SMALL NUMBER OF PERHAPS 6 TO 12 PCV'S WHO WILL CONTINUE TEACHING AT THE HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE KAMPALA/ENTEBBE AREA. WE WOULD ALSO WANT IN THIS PERIOD TO CONTINUE THE PRESENCE OF THE PCD AND STAFF.

E. AID PERSONNEL WILL BE REGROUPED AS NECESSARY SO AS TO PRECLUDE ANY PERSONS REMAINING IN SENSITIVE AREAS.

F. THE NETWORK OF COMMUNICATIONS WITH ALL PRIVATE AMERICANS WILL BE FURTHER UPDATED TO ASSURE THAT WE CAN BE IN QUICK COMUNICATION WITH THEM.

4. THE ORCHESTRATION OF PHASE ONE REQUIRES THAT WE AVOID, AS A MINIMUM, A RUPTURE IN OUR RELATIONS WITH AMIN--REQUIRES THAT WE MAINTAIN THE TYPE OF RELATIONSHIP THAT HAS EVOLVED IN THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS. IN THE OPINION OF THE EMBASSY, THE FOLLOWING ARE REQUIRED:

A. WE MUST MAINTAIN OUR AID AND LOAN PROGRAM. WHILE WITHDRAWING VOLUNTEERS AND OTHERS, THE EMBASSY WILL DELIBERATELY CONTINUE THE DISCUSSION OF OUR VARIOUS AID PROJECTS IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY FEELING ON THE PART OF THE GOU THAT WE ARE PULLING OUT.

B. WE WILL CARRY ON DELIBERATELY OUR OTHER PROGRAMS LIKE THE LEADERSHIP EXCHANGE PROGRAM AND OTHER SUCH ACTIVITIES.

C. THE USG SHOULD AVOID TAKING THE INITIATIVE IN ANY INTERNATIONAL ACTIONS THAT WOULD BE BADLY RECEIVED IN KAMPALA (LIKE A UN CENSURE OF UGANDA BECAUSE OF THE ASIAN EXPULSION OR THE AMIN TELEGRAM TO WALDHEIM.) THE USG DURING PHASE ONE SHOULD ALSO AVOID ANY UNILATERAL PUBLIC CRITICISM OF AMIN AND THE GOU.

5. WE ARE REASONABLY OPTIMISTIC THAT WE CAN CARRY OUT THE ORCHESTRATION OF PHASE ONE WITHIN A PERIOD OF FOUR WEEKS. THE

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USG-GOU EQUATION THAT WE HAVE EVOLVED IS MORE FRIENDLY THAN IT WAS; IT IS STILL DANGEROUSLY FRAGILE.

6. ONCE PHASE ONE IS COMPLETED AND ALL AMERICAN JEWISH CITIZENS AND THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF PCV'S HAVE LEFT THE COUNTRY, THE NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS AND NON-ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL HAS BEEN REDUCED, AND ONCE WE HAVE ESTABLISHED A FIRST CLASS COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK WITH OUR PRIVATE AMERICAN CITIZENS, WE CAN THEN HAVE MORE CONFIDENCE THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO RESPOND EFFECTIVELY AND EXPEDITIOUSLY TO ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN THE STILL HIGHLY VOLATILE INTERNAL SITUATION.
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FOR ASSISTANT SECY NEWSOM FROM AMBASSADOR

SUBJECT: PEACE CORPS

REF: STATE 174388 AND 175212; KAMPALA 3345 AND 3430

1. CT SEEKS YOUR COUNSEL IN OBTAINING ONE CHANGE IN INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED STATE 175212. WE ASK THAT WE BE ALLOWED TO SAY TO GOU THAT A HANDFUL OF VOLUNTEERS HAVE INDICATED THEIR WILLINGNESS TO STAY IN KAMPALA AREA AND TEACH FOR THE TIME BEING.

2. WE STRONGLY FEAR THAT ORCHESTRATING A TOTAL DEPARTURE OF VOLS IN THE NEXT TWO TO THREE WEEKS COULD BRING DOWN ON US THE WRTH OF AMIN AND CONSEQUENTLY AFFECT THE SECURITY OF AMERICANS IN UGANDA. WE BELIEVE, ON THE OTHER HAND, THAT WE CAN ORCHESTRATE WITHIN TWO T THREE WEEKS THE FOLLOWING:

A. THE REGROUPING INTO KAMPALA OF ALL VOLS (THIS WEEK);

B. THE DEPARTURE OF THE BULK--AROUND 100--WITHIN TWO TO THREE WEEKS. (THIS HAS ALREADY STARTED. WE INFORMED THE GOU THAT A LARGE NUMBER OF VOLS WISH TO LEAVE AND THAT WE ARE ARRANGING THEIR DEPARTURE.)

3. THE EQUATION THAT HAS EVOLVED IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS WHERE AMIN IS NOT ACCUSING US OF MISDEEDS IS VERY FRAGILE. BUT CT FEELS IT IS IMPERATIVE TO MAINTAIN A MINIMUM FRAMEWORK FOR US TO BE ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH THE ASSIGNMENTS GIVEN TO US IN STATE 174388.

4. THERE ARE PCV'S WHO WANT TO STAY. HANK RAULLERSON WOULD

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SELECT THE MOST MATURE AND WE WOULD WORK OUT THEIR ASSIGNMENT AT THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THE KAMPALA AREA. BY BEING ABLE TO SAY THIS NOW WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT WE CAN, WITHIN 3 WEEKS, EX-FILTRATE OUT OF UGANDA WITHOUT ANY NEGATIVE REACTION:

A. ALL AMERICANS OF THE JEWISH FAITH;

B. WIVES AND CHILDREN OF OFFICIAL AND CONTRACT PERSONNEL WHO WISH TO LEAVE; AND

C. OVERWHELMING BULK OF PCV'S.

5. ONCE THIS PHASE IS FINISHED--IN 3 WEEKS--WE WOULD HAVE LEFT:

A. HANDFUL OF PCV'S;

B. OFFICIAL AMERICANS; AND

C. PRIVATE AMERICANS WHO HAVE DECIDED TO STAY.

IF AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT SITUATION SHOULD DETERIORATE, WE WOULD IMMEDIATELY EVACUATE THIS HANDFUL OF VOLS THAT REMAINED WITH US. THIS PROCEDURE IS WHAT BHC SLATER HAS WORKED OUT FOR BRITISH VOLS, ALTHOUGH AROUND HALF OF THEIRS WILL BE STAYING RATHER THAN A HANDFUL. IT IS ALSO IN ACCORD WITH WHAT OTHER EUROPEAN VOLUNTEER GROUPS ARE DOING.

6. PC DIRECTOR FOR AFRICA RAULLERSON AND PC/U DIRECTOR AUSTIN BROWN STRONGLY ENDORSE THIS PROPOSAL, BUT CAUTION THAT THEIR INFORMATION IS THAT MAJORITY OF 49 VOLUNTEERS IN THE NORTH OF UGANDA WHO HAVE NOT BEEN AT ALL AFFECTED BY RECENT EVENTS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY WISH TO REMAIN IN PC/UGANDA.

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SUBJECT: EVACUATION PLANNING

1. ACTING DEAN OF DIPLOMATIC CORPS, ITALIAN AMB. ROMANELLI, HAS CALLED MEETING OF WESTERN CHIEFS OF MISSION AT HIS RESIDENCE FOR 1730 WEDNESDAY, SEPT 27, TO DISCUSS ABOVE SUBJECT.

2. CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER OLIVIER, HERE FROM NAIROBI, CALLED ON ME SEPT 26. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY SAUL GREY, HEAD OF EAST AFRICAN AFFAIRS IN MINISTRY EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, HERE TO ACCOMPANY FIRST FLIGHT OF ASIAN AIRLIFT TO CANADA. OLIVIER SAYS HE IS QUIETLY ARRANGING FOR DEPARTURE OF HIS 36 CANADIAN VOLUNTEERS OVER NEXT THREE WEEKS. HE PLANS TO CALL ON PROTOCOL CHIEF OSEKU AND EXPLAIN MOVE NOT AS A CANADIAN GOVERNMENT DECISION BUT AS "YOUNG PEOPLE WHO FEEL INSECURE AND WISH TO LEAVE BEING PERMITTED TO GO." CANADIAN EXPERTS AND ASSISTANCE WILL CONTINUE THOUGH IF ANY EXPERT WISHES TO LEAVE HE WILL BE PERMITTED TO GO.
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NAIROBI FOR AMBASSADOR TO DISCUSS WITH PC DIRECTOR ONLY

FROM RAULLERSON/BROWN

1. PC/UGANDA TRANSMITTED LATEST AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON STATUS ALL VOLUNTEERS EARLIER TODAY. INCLUDED INFO THAT APPROXIMATELY 54 VOLS STILL IN NORTHERN AREA. MINISTRY OF EDUCATION BUS WHICH TRAVELED KABALE UNDER ESCORT ON 23 SEPTEMBER HAS NOT RPT NOT ARIVED IN KAMPALA AS OF 0200 HOURS LOCAL TIME 26 SEPTEMBER. BUS DELAYED EN ROUTE FOR UNKNOWN REASONS. EXPECTED ARRIVE KAMPALA LATE AFTERNNON 26 SEPTEMBER. WILL CHECK WITH MINE A.M. 26 SEPTEMBER RE PROGRESS. PLEASE REFER KAMPALA 3375

2. HAVE SET UP MACHINERY FOR ALL ITEMS REQUESTED PARA 2 REFTEL. ASSUMED THIS WAS SOP. ONLY ITEM WE DISAGREE IS NAIROBI AS PROCESSING POINT. FOR REASONS CITED EARLIER CABLE PLUS POSSIBLE IMPLICATIONS FOR KENYA/UGANDA RELATIONS STRONGLY URGE ADDIS ABABA HANDLE PROCESSING. UNLESS YOU HAVE OVERRIDING REASONS WE PREFER PROCEED ACCORDINGLY. ADDITIONAL POINT IS PROBABILITY FASTER MOVEMENT DEPARTING VOLS WITH GREATER VARIETY FLIGHTS TO ADDIS AND LESS TOTAL RELIANCE ON EAST AFRICAN AIRWAYS FLIGHTS.

3. SEE PARA 2 ABOVE. WE AGREE AND STAFF TOTALLY INVOLVED ALL REQUIREMENTS FOR MOVEMENT VOLUNTEERS. EXPECT FIRST TO START MOVEMENT 26 SEPTEMBER BUT THIS DEPENDS VARIOUS CLEARANCES REQUIRED. WITH GOVERNMENT INVOLVED IN ASIAN PROCESSING THIS NO EASY TASK BUT HAVE FOUND SOME WAYS OF CUTTING ACROSS BUREACRATIC RED TAPE.

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WE ASK NO RPT NOT ANNOUNCEMENT OF VOLUNTEERS BEING MOVED OUT EXCEPT NOTIFICATION TO PARENTS.

4. PC WILL ACCOMPANY BODY OF MORTON. ETA AND DETAILS OF SHIPMENT FOLLOWS. EXPECTED LEAVE HERE 26 SEPTEMBER VIA BOAC FLIGHT AT 2130 HOURS. BUT HAVE NOT YET HAD CONFIRMED ONWARD BOOKING FROM LONDON. WILL CABLE IMMEDIATE WHEN KNOWN.

5. CONCUR ONL RILEY

6. AGREED AND WE PROMISED THIS EARLIER YESTERDAY.

7. SEE PARA 2 ABOVE. WE DON'T WANT TO USE KENYA. ADDIS WILL HAVE TO ASSESS STAFF IN ADDITION THEIR OWN. RIGGAN SHOULD GO ADDIS. MILLS INFORMED CHR TASKETTA AVAILABLE THIS ASSIGNMENT ADDIS AND STILL KEEP EYE ON HIS ADMIN NEEDS.

8. FREED PERFORMED MINIMALLY IN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE SEGMENT ICT. IN TEACHER TRAINING SEGMENT HE DID NO WORK. DID NOT PRACTICE TEACH. SHOWED LITTLE INTEREST IN TEACHING. FREED SEEMED UNWILLING TO BE PART OF PROGRAM THROUGHOUT TRAINING. CONSENSUS OF ICT STAFF WAS THAT HE WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT FIT WELL INFO UGANDAN TEACHING STRUCTURE. FREED THAT ICT WAS PERIOD DURING WHICH PCT'S WERE TO SHOW THEIR ABILITY. HE MADE LITTLE EFFORT TO DO SO THROUGHOUT PROGRAM. DESELECTED ON BASIS OF NOT RPT NOT PASSING MINIMAL STANDARDS SET OUT IN TRAINING DESIGN AND AS RECOMMENDED BY ICT STAFF.

9. DO NOT UNDERSTAND QUERY. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE NO DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO TRAVEL IN UGANDA. NOTHING REQUIRED FOR TOURISTS EXCEPT VALID PASSPORT AND PRIOR VISA WHICH IS NON-TRANSFERABLE.

FYI: RE EARLIER CABLE SENT TODAY ON GENERAL PLAN WILL NOT DISCUSS ANY RPT ANY DETAILS VIA TELECON. IF YOU HAVE QUERIES PLEASE CABLE THEM. ALSO PLEASE TIME CABLES TO ARRIVE HERE PRIOR 2300 HOURS OUR TIME. WHILE KAMPALA RELATIVELY SAFE AREA DO NOT LIKE TO BE FLOATING AROUND TOWN AT 0200-0300 HOURS. RE TELECONS DO NOT ASK US ANY SENSITIVE QUESTIONS. MUST ASSUME EVERYTHING MONITORED RAULLERSON EXPECTS REMAIN AT LEAST ANOTHER WEEK OR AT LEAST UNTIL MAJOR PORTION VOLUNTERS ON WAY. TOTAL PROCESS AS PLANNED WILL PROBABLY TAKE THREE/FOUR WEEKS

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EXDIS

SUBJECT: FRENCH AMBASSADOR'S VIEWS ON EVACUATION

1. SUMMARY. FRENCH AMBASSADOR IS NOT INCLINED TO JOIN A COLLECTIVE APPROACH TO AMIN SEEKING GOU COOPERATION IN A POSSIBLE GENERAL EVACUATION OF FOREIGNERS WHO WISH TO LEAVE. IN HIS OPINION THE BRITISH, BUT NOT FOREIGNERS OR WHITES IN GENERAL, ARE TARGETS OF GENERAL'S WRATH, AND HE THINKS FRENCH OUGHT TO STAY IN UGANDA TO HELP MAINTAIN A WESTERN PRESENCE EVEN IF BRITISH ARE THROWN OUT OR OTHERWISE FORCED TO LEAVE. HE WOULD, HOWEVER, ORDER AN EVACUATION IN TWO EVENTUALITIES: (A) A TANZANIAN INVASION THAT REACHED MBARARA; (B) ASSASSINATION OF AMIN, WHICH LIKELY TO RESULT IN GENERAL CHAOS. END SUMMARY.

2. HAD FRENCH AMB. THABAULT FOR DINNER SEPT. 23 AND USED OCCASION TO SOUND HIM OUT ON INTERNAL SECURITY SITUATION AND ANY EVACUATION PLANNING HE ENGAGED IN. FROM VIEWS HE EXPRESSED IT IS OBVIOUS HE WOULD BE DISINCLINED TO JOIN IN A COLLECTIVE APPROACH TO AMIN AS DESIRED BY BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER SLATER. THABAULT THINKS FRENCH ARE NOT TARGETS OF AMIN OR GOU ATTACK NOW, NOR ARE LIKELY TO BECOME SO. HE FURTHERMORE DOES NOT THINK WHITES, EUROPEANS OR FOREIGNERS ARE THE TARGET. HIS ATTITUDE SEEMS TO BE: "WHY TIE OURSELVES TO THE BRITISH? THEY MAY GET THROWN OUT. IN THAT CASE WE OUGHT TO STICK IT OUT TO KEEP THE SOVIETS FROM DOMINATING THINGS HERE."

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3. WHEN I PRESSED HIM REGARDING ANY POSSIBLE SITUATIONS THAT MIGHT CAUSE HIM TO WANT TO EFFECT EVACUATION OF HIS CITIZENS, THABAULT SAID HE WOULD SO ORDER IF THE TANZANIANS INVADED AND GOT AS FAR AS MBARARA. IN THAT CASE HE THOUGHT THERE WOULD BE DANGER FORFOREIGNERS, ESPECIALLY WHITES. IN EVENT OF SUCCESSFUL ASSASSINATION OF AMIN, FRENCH AMB. THOUGHT HE WOULD ALSO WANT TO GET HIS PEOPLE OUT, BUT HE WONDERED IF IT WOULD BE FEASIBLE, AS THERE WOULD PROBABLY BE GENERAL CHAOS, WITH UGANDAN TROOPS RUNNING AMOK.

4. COMMENT: ABOVE VIEWS OF THABAULT ARE NOT SURPRISING, FOR THEY ARE CONSISTENT WITH "LONE WOLF" ROLE HE ATTEMPTS TO PLAY HERE. HE IS UNFORTUNATELY INCLINED TO TRY TO PROFIT FROM DISCOMFITURE OF FRANCE'S ALLIES, INSTEAD OF TRYING TO SHOW SOME WESTERN SOLIDARITY. HE HAS 200 PLUS CITIZENS IN UGANDA. REGARDLESS OF HIS WISHES IN MATTER, I BELIEVE A GOOD MANY OF THEM WILL WANT TO EVACUATE IF AND WHEN THEY SEE UN PERSONNEL, BRITISH, AMERICANS, SCANDINAVIANS, CANADIANS, ETC. LEAVING, RATHER THAN REMAINING BEHIND TO PICK UP PIECES LEFT BY BRITISH, AS THABAULT APPARENTLY DESIRES.
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SUBJ:BRITISH DESIRE FOR COLLECTIVE APPROACH TO GOU RE A
POSSIBLE EVACUATION

REF: KAMPALA 3284

1. SUMMARY: BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER SLATER CALLED ON ME SEPT 23 FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION ABOVE SUBJECT. HE DISCUSSED IT WITH ITALIAN AMBASSADOR ROMANELLI YESTERDAY AND LATTER AGREED THAT THOUGH SOME FOREIGNERS ARE MORE VULNERABLE THAN OTHERS, IN CONTINGENCIES WHICH CONCERN SLATER ALL FOREIGNERS ARE IN DANGER TO GREATER OR LESSER EXTENT. ROMANELLI AGREED TO GO ALONG WITH A COLLECTIVE APPROACH. ACTION REQUEST: BELIEVE DEPT SHOULD BEGIN SOME EVACUATION LOGISTICS PLANNING COVERING CONTINGENCIES AND PROBLEMS DISCUSSED BELOW. END SUMMARY.

2. SLATER PROPOSED THAT ROMANELLI, AS ACTING DEAN, WOULD BE THE ONE TO VOICE A COLLECTIVE APPROACH FOR GOU COOPERATION TO GENERAL AMIN, WITH ALL CHIEFS OF MISSIONS, CONSULS OR OTHER REPS OF COUNTRIES IN ACCORD PRESENT AT MEETING TO SUPPORT HIM. SLATER SAID HE THOUGHT EARLIER, WHEN HE WAS CONSIDERING HE MIGHT PRESENT HIS REQUEST IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO ELICIT FROM AMIN A GUARANTEE NOT ONLY FOR THE SECURITY OF BRITISH SUBJECTS BUT A PUBLIC POLICY DECLARATION BY AMIN REVERSING HIS ATTACKS ON BRITISH AS ENEMIES OF UGANDA AND

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DESCRIBING THEM INSTEAD AS PERSONS HELPFUL TO UGANDA, AND TO MAKE THIS STANCE CLEAR TO EVERYONE IN UGANDA. NOW, SLATER SAID, HE HAS GIVEN UP ON AMIN, DOES NOT TRUST HIM IN THE SLIGHTEST AND THINKS ANY GUARANTEES OR PROMISES HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN FROM THE GENERAL WOULD BE WORTHLESS. HE THEREFORE PROPOSED THAT A COLLECTIVE APPROACH BE PHRASED VERY SIMPLY, SOMETHING AS FOLLOWS: "MR. PRESIDENT, SOME OF OUR NATIONALS DO NOT FEEL SECURE HERE AND THEY WOULD LIKE TO LEAVE. WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR GOVERNMENT'S COOPERATION TO FACILITATE THEIR DEPARTURES." WE AGREED THIS WOULD BE BETTER APPRAOACH THAN TO PHRASE IT AS IF OUR GOVERNMENTS HAD ORDERED EVACUATION OF ALL CITIZENS.

3. TO CONTINGENCIES HE DESCRIBED YESTERDAY (SEE PARA 3 REFTEL) SLATER HAS NOW ADDED A POSSIBLE UGANDAN INVASION OF TANZANIAM IF IT WENT WELL FOR THE UGANDAN, SLATER FEELS THERE WOULD NOT BE MUCH DANGER FOR HIS PEOPLE HERE AS ATMOSPHERE WOULD BE ONE OF EUPHORIA. HOWEVER, IF UGANDANS FARED BADLY AT HANDS TANZANIANS (WHICH SLATER BELIEVES IS A DISTINCT POSSIBILITY) THAN HE WOULD WANT TO EVACUTE HIS PEOPLE SOONEST. WE ALSO DISCUSSED DIFFICULT SITUATION THAT WOULD ARISE IN AFTERMATH OF AN ASSASSINATION OR A GENERAL BREAKDOWN IN PUBLIC ORDER, IN WHICH CASES IT WOULD BE MOST DIFFICULT TO FIND ANYONE IN AUTHORITY TO WHOM TO MAKE A COLLECTIVE OR ANY OTHER KIND OF APPROACH.

4. SLATER WAS UNABLE TO SEE FRENCH AMB THABAULT AS HE HAS THE FLU. I HOPE TO HAVE HIM FOR DINNER TONIGHT AND OFFERED TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH HIM. I BRIEFED SLATER ON MY TALK WITH GERMAN AMB KOPF, WHO IS NOT OVERLY INCLINED TO GO ALONG. KOPF THINKS THE SITUATION, THOUGH ROCKY, MAY NOT DETERIORATE SERIOUSLY AND HE HOPES TO HANG ON AND MAINTAIN A PRESENCE HERE. OF DIPLOMATS WE DEAL WITH, HE SEEMS THE LEAST PESSIMISTIC ABOUT SECURITY SITUATION. (FYI: HIS STAFF UNANIMOUSLY BELIEVES THE AMBASSADOR TAKES TOO ROSY A VIEW OF THINGS AND WISHES HE WOULD SHOW GREATER CONCERN. END FYI) SLATER SAID HE HAS BEEN KEEPING CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER OLIVIER IN NAIROBI ADVISED OF DISCUSSION HERE. I SUGGESTED SLATER TALK WITH PRATTLEY, WHOM I HAD FOR DINNER LAST NIGHT, AS IT WOULD BE WISE TO ENLIST SUPPORT OF UN RESREP ALSO IN A COLLECTIVE APPROACH. (PRATTLEY'S VIEWS REPORTED SEPTEL.)

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5. WE THEN DISCUSSED SOME OF THE LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS THAT WOULD ARISE IN A HURRIED AND MASSIVE EVACUATION OF CITIZENS. ONE OF PROBLEMSN OF COURSE, WOULD BE GATHERING CITIZENS TO KAMPALA ACROSS VERY INSECURE TERAIN. ANOTHER MAJOR PROBLEM IS THE ROAD FROM KAMPALA TO ENTEBBE, USE OF WHICH WOULD BE CRITICAL TO ANY EVACUATION BY AIRCRAFT FROM ENTEBBE. WE THOUGHT ONE WAY AROUND THIS PROBLEM MIGHT BE USE OF HELI-COPTERS FROM KOLOLO AIRSTRIP IN KAMPALA TO ENTEBBE AIRPORT. IF THERE WERE A GENERAL BREAKDOWN IN PUBLIC ORDER THE ENTEBBE ROAD MIGHT BE IMPASSABLE. WE AGREED OUR EVACUATION PLANNING WOULD HAVE TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF STRONG POSSIBILITY THAT THERE WOULD BE NO COOPERATION FROM GOU AUTHORITIES, WHO MIGHT BE ENTIRELY PREOCCUPIED WITH A MILITARY CONFRONTATION WITH TANZANIA AND HAVE NO RESOURCES TO SPARE TO HELP US, EVEN IF THEY WERE SO INCLINED.

6. TRUST DEPARTMENT IS ALSO CONSIDERING SOME OF THESE LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS, ESPECIALLY WHETHER HELICOPTERS COULD BE BROUGHT IN TO FERRY PEOPLE FROM KAMPALA TO ENTEBBE.
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SUBJ: BRITISH DESIRE FOR COOPERATION IN ANY POSSIBLE EVACUATION

1. SUMMARY: BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER SLATER HAS RAISED WITH ME, AT INSTANCE FCO, PROPOSAL THAT IF WE AND OTHER WESTERN POWERS AGREE AN EVACUATION IS NECESSARY THAT WE MAKE A GROUP APPROACH TO AMIN TO SEEK HIS COOPERATION. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS AS TO APPROPRIATE RESPONSE. END SUMMARY.

2. BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER SLATER CALLED ON ME THIS MORNING AT HIS REQUEST. HE SAID HE HAD RECEIVED REPORTS OF EXCHANGES BETWEEN REPS OF OUR TWO GOVTS BOTH IN LONDON AND WASHINGTON REGARDING PRESENT SECURITY SITUATION IN UGANDA AND POSSIBLE PLANS FOR EVACUATION. FCO HAD CABLED HIM IT ASSUMED HE HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH ME ON MATTER, WHICH IS WHY HE WAS NOW CALLING, SLATER SAID. WE AGREED DISCUSS MATTER CANDIDLY BUT ON PERSONAL BASIS SINCE WE BOTH LACK INSTRUCTIONS. SLATER SAID HE PLANNED CALL ON REPS OF OTHER MAJOR WESTERN POWERS TODAY, INCLUDING ITALIAN, FRENCH AND GERMAN AMBASSADORS, TO DISCUSS SAME MATTER. IN THE END I AGREED TO SEE THE GERMAN AND SLATER WENT OFF TO SEE THE ITALIAN, WHO IS ACTING DEAN OF CORPS. SLATER PROMISED TO GET TOGETHER WITH ME AGAIN LATER IN DAY. WE AGREED THAT THIS IS VERY SENSITIVE SUBJECT THAT MUST BE CLOSELY HELD BY ALL CONCERNED, SINCE LEAK THAT REACHED AMIN MIGHT PRECIPITATE CRISIS WE WISH TO AVOID.

3. ALTHOUGH HE HAS THIS MORNING SENT A "SOOTHING" CABLE TO LONDON ABOUT SITUATION HERE, SLATER'S GENERAL APPROACH IS THAT

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HE IS PLANNING FOR A FULL EVACUATION OF BRITISH SUBJECTS. HE FINDS SEVERAL CONTINGENCIES THAT COULD PLACE HIS CITIZENS IN GREAT JEOPARDY, SPECIFICALLY AN INVASION BY TANZANIA, AN ATTEMPTED OR SUCCESSFUL ASSASSINATION OF AMIN (TWO EVENTS WHICH WOULD BE BLAMED ON BRITISH), OR GENERAL AND COMPLETE BREAKDOWN IN PUBLIC ORDER WITH UGANDAN ARMY RUNNING AMOK. HE NOTED THAT IF BRITISH CITIZENS BECAME SUBJECT TO ATTACK, OTHER WHITES WOULD OF COURSE RUN RISK OF BEING MISTAKEN FOR BRITISH, SO ENTIRE FOREIGN COMMUNITY WOULD BE AFFECTED MORE OF LESS EQUALLY.

4. TURNING TO POSSIBLE EVACUATION PLANNING, SLATER EXPRESSED OPINION THAT IF HE SOUGHT AMIN'S COOPERATION IN EFFECTING AN ORDERLY DEPARTURE OF BRITISH AMIN WOULD BE LIABLE TO REACT MOST ADVERSELY, ACCUSING BRITISH OF "CLEARING DECKS FOR A MILITARY INTERVENTION." HOWEVER, IF AN APPROACH TO AMIN COULD BE MADE BY NUMBER OF WESTERN REPS TOGETHER, ALL SEEKING GOU COOPERATION IN EFFECTING AN EVACUATION, IT MIGHT BE SAFER FOR ALL PARTIES INVOLVEDM FOR THIS REASON HMG IS SEEKING VIEWS OF USG AND OTHERS TO SEE IF THEY COULD AGREE ON A GROUP APPROACH. IN MEANTIME SLOW "EXFILTRATION" OF BRITISH WILL CONTINUE, AS CONTRACTS EXPIRE AND OTHER EXCUSES FOR DEPARTURES PRESENT THEMSELVES, TO THIN OUT THE COMMUNITY AND REDUCE NUMBERS.

5. DCM AND I AGREED WITH HIS ANALYSIS THT GOU-INSPIRED OR SPONTANEOUS MOVES AGAINST BRITISH COMMUNITY COULD SPILL OVER AGAINST ALL FOREINGERS. WE ALSO THOUGHT THAT A GROUP APPRAOCH TO AMIN AND GOU IN GENERAL STOOD A BETTER CHANCE OF ELICITING COOPERATION THAN WOULD AN INDIVIDUAL BILATERAL APPROACH. WE NOTED THAT IT WOULD HELP IF UN RES REP PRATTLEY JOINED IN IN EFFORT, AND AGREED THAT PRATTLEY SEEMS WAY AHEAD OF US IN HIS EVACUATION PLANNING AS HE IS VERY PESSIMISTIC REGARDING ANY CHANCE OF IMPROVEMENT IN SECURITY SITUATION. IN ADDITION WE THOUGHT SCANDINAVIANS COULD BE ENLISTED IN A JOINT EFFORT AS THEY ARE AMON MOST NERVOUS OF FOREIGN REPS AT MOMENT.

6. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS SOONEST AS TO HOW I SHOULD PROCEED IN FUTURE DISCUSSION WITH SLATER ON THIS SUBJECT, AS EVENTS AFFECTING POSSIBLE EVACUATION MAY MOVE RAPIDLY AND I NEED TO KNOW JUST WHAT POSTURE DEPT WISHES ME TO ADOPT, ESPECIALLY ON QUESTION OF JOINT APPROACHES. WISH TO REITERATE THAT THIS IS MOST SENSITIVE MATTER TO BE HELD ON STRICTLY NEED TO KNOW BASIS. GDS
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NAIROBI FOR AMB FERGUSON

SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

1. SUMMARY: JUSTICE JONES STILL PLANS TO GO TO KENYA JULY 1 BUT HAS NOW DECIDED TO DELAY HAVING HIS COMMISSION OF INQUIRY REPORT DELIVERED TO ATTORNEY GENERAL MUGERWA UNTIL JULY 8, THE DAY HE INTENDS TO SAIL FROM MOMBASA, BECAUSE HE IS FEARFUL OF WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN TO HIM IF GENERAL READS REPORT BEFORE THEN. REPORT IS NOW FINISHED. IT FINDS THAT STROH AND SIEDLE ARE DEAD, STATES FLATLY THEY WERE MURDERED BY PERSONNEL OF SIMBA BATTALION, ALSO SAYS MAJOR JUMA MAY BE CONNECTED WITH MURDERS. END SUMMARY.

2. HAD JUSTICE JONES AND MIKE DAVIES FOR FAREWELL DINNER JUNE 29. ALSO CONFERRED WITH JONES JUNE 30. JONES SAID HIS REPORT IS NOW READY BUT HE WILL NOT HAVE IT DELIVRED TO MUGERWA UNTIL JULY 8. HE RENEWED HIS PROMISE TO GIVE US A COPY BUT IS FEARFUL OF PREMATURE LEAKS BEFORE HE HAS SAILED FROM MOMBASA. AT LEAST THREE THINGS HAVE RECENTLY RENEWED HIS APPREHENSION REGARDING HIS PERSONAL SAFETY: (A) WARNING TO BRITISH CITIZENS ISSUED BY AMIN (KAMPALA 1966); (B) CHEIF JUSTICE KIWANUBE TOLD JONES HE MET RECENTLY WITH AMIN TO ASK FOR ADDITONAL JUDGES AND LATTER AGREED BUT ADDED "DON'T HIRE ANY BRITISH LIKE THAT MAN JONES WHO GIVES ME TROUBLE AND HAS A SWELLED HEAD"; (C) REPORTS OF CONTINUING INSTANT EXECUTIONS OF PROMINENT CITIZENS, LATEST ONE BEING A REPORT JONES RECEIVED FROM A UGANDAN ATTORNEY JUNE 30 THAT A FORMER UGANDA DIPLOMAT

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WAS SHOT DEAD WHILE ATTENDING A DINNER AT KAMPALA INTERNATIONAL HOTEL EVENING JUNE 29 (THIS IS UNCONFIRMED AND SEEMS OUTLANDISH). JONES STILL PLANS TO GO TO KENYA JULY 1 WITH ASSISTANCE OF BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION. HE WANTS ONE COPY OF HIS REPORT SENT TO HIS HOME IN SWANSEA. I OFFERED TO DO THIS FOR HIM IF HE HAS NO OTHER SAFE MEANS. ALSO GAVE HIM TWO ADDITIONAL PHOTOSTATS OF STROH PASSPORT FOR USE AS ATTACHMENTS TO COPIES OF REPORT.

3. JONES SHOWED ME SECTIONS OF COMPLETED REPORT, PART OF WHICH IS IN FORMAT OF ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS POSED TO HIM BY A.G. IN NOTICE APPOINTING HIM TO CONDUCT INQUIRY. JONES MAKES FINDING THAT STROH AND SIEDLE ARE DEAD, PRIMARILY ON BASIS OF TIBIHIKA AFFIDAVIT, WHICH HE CONSLUDES IS TRUE ACCOUNT. REPORT STATES QTE THEY WERE IN FACT MURDERED BY PERSONNEL OF THE SIMBA BATTALION OF THE UGANDA ARMED FORCE UNQTE. JONES ALSO CONSIDERS WHICH PERSONNEL MAY HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE AND FINDS THAT MAJOR JUMA MAY HAVE BEEN CONNECTED WITH MURDERS. REPORT ENDS WITH ELOQUENT PLEA ON BEHALF OF AN INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY. ANNEXES TO REPORT INCLUDE TIBIHIKA AND OTHER AFFIDAVITS, PHOTOS OF REMAINS OF STROH CAR, COPY OF TIBIHIKA'S VOUCHER CLAIMING REIMBURSEMENT FOR "CO SAFARI" FROM MBARARA TO BUNDIBUGYO AND RETURN, PASSPORT, AS WELL AS CLIPPINGS AND OTHER MATERIAL DETAILING AMIN'S PUBLIC ATTACKS ON JONES AND COMMISSION AND INSTANCES OF GOU OBSTRUCTIIONISM (TEXT OF REPORT ALSO RECOUNTS THIS OBSTRUCTIONISM). ONE EXHIBIT NOT INCLUDED IS PLASTIC WATER JUNG BELONGING TO SIEDLE WHICH WAS FOUND IN MBARARA REST HOUSE ROOM OCCUPIED BY SIEDLE. (JONES GAVE ME THE JUG TO PASS ON TO KEEBLE, WHO APPARENTLY WANTS TO USE IT IN CONNECTION COMPENSATION SUIT.) THERE IS PLENTY IN REPORT THAT WILL ANGER GENERAL AMIN AND JONES IS CONVINCED IT WILL NEVER SEE LIGHT OF DAY AS A CONSEQUENCE.

4. FACT OF JONES' COOPERATIVENESS WITH US AS WELL AS SUBSTANTIVE ASPECTS OF HIS REPORT SHOULD OF COURSE BE CLOSELY HELD.
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EXDIS

SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REF: KAMPALA 1899

1. AS REFTEL INDICATES, UNLESS SOME HITCH DEVELOPS JUSTICE JONES' REPORT WILL BE IN HANDS OF A.G. MUGERWA JULY 3 OR 4 AND SOME DAYS THEREAFTER IN HANDS OF GENERAL. IF DEPARTMENT CONCURS, I WILL REQUEST APPOINTMENT WITH GENERAL AMIN IN PERIOD JULY 11-15, WHICH WILL BE IN NATURE OF FAREWELL CALL AND ON WHICH OCCASION I CAN RAISE EX GRATIA COMPENSATION PROPOSAL. ETIANG, FONMIN PERMSEC, CALLED ME JUNE 24 TO REQUEST THAT I DELAY MY DEPARTURE FROM UGANDA BECAUSE PRESIDENT WISHES TO GIVE ME FAREWELL LUNCHEON OR DINNER DURING PERIOD JULY 10 TO 15 (ETIANG SAID HE DOES NOT KNOW WHEN GENERAL WILL RETURN TO KAMPALA FROM HIS TRIP AND THIS PERIOD ONLY TIME HE REASONABLY SURE OF.) I NATURALLY AGREED TO DO SO.

3. IN VIEW OF FOREGOING AND REFTEL, IT IS CONCEIVABLE, THOUGH UNLIKELY, THAT I COULD GET TO SEE GENERAL ON EX GRATIA MATTER PRIOR TO JULY 7 DEADLINE FOR FILING OF COMPENSATION SUITS BY BINAISA AND KEEBLE ON BEHALF STROHS AND SIEDLES. MOREOVER, IF I COULD SEE HIM IT IS MOST IMPROBABLE THAT HE WILL INSTANTLY SEIZE IDEA AND WRAP UP CASE BY FINALIZING EX GRATIA SETTLEMENT. THEREFORE I SEE NO CHOICE BUT TO ADVISE STROH AND SIEDLE FAMILIES TO PROCEED WITH FILING OF SUITS PRIOR TO JULY 7. IN FACT, FILING OF SUITS AND CLEAR PROSPECT OF SUBSEQUENT TRIAL WITH ATTENDANT PUBLICITY MAY HELP ENCOURAGE GENERAL TO WANT TO SETTLE OUT OF COURT BY EX GRATIA MEANS. (STATE 112054, PARA 3).

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3. FYI: AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, I HAD ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED DEPARTURE KAMPALA WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28. IN VIEW OF THOSE PLANS INVITATIONS TO OUR CELEBRATIONS JULY 4-5 HAVE ALREADY GONE OUT IN NAME OF CHARGE. HENCE AGAIN TO AVOID EMBARRASSMENT AND DIPLOMATIC SPECULATION SHOULD I REMAIN OVER THAT PERIOD. I WOULD PROPOSE LEAVING FOR "TERMINAL LEAVE" IN KENYA FROM WED. 28TH THROUGH APPROXIMATELY JULY 8 OR 9. I COULD THEN RETURN FOR FAREWELL CALL ON PRESIDENT AND RECEIVE GOU FAREWELL LUNCHEON OR DINNER. I WOULD THEN EXPECT TO DEPART POST APPROXIMATELY JULY 18 AND ARRIVE WASHINGTON AS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED JULY 29. END FYI.

4. PLEASE ADVISE REACTION THIS TELEGRAM AND REFTEL PRIORITY OR IMMEDIATE AS I WOULD HOPE TO SETTLE UP ALL TIMING PROBLEMS WITH ETIANG MONDAY A.M. LOCAL.

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EXDIS

SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REF: (A) KAMPALA 1839; (B) KAMPALA 1859; (C) STATE 112054

1. DCM CHECKED WITH JUSTICE JONES JUNE 23 ON PROGRESS COMMISSION REPORT. JONES SAID HE HAS COMPLETED REPORT AND IT IS NOW BEING TYPED IN EIGHT COPIES BY TRUSTED SECRETARY. HE INTENDS GIVE US ONE COPY AND REQUESTS WE SEND ANOTHER COPY TO HIM AT HIS HOME ADDRESS IN WALES. JONES PLANS LEAVE UGANDA PERMANENTLY SATURDAY, JULY 1. BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION HAS PROMISED DRIVE HIM OVER BORDER TO KENYA. HE WILL SPEND A FEW DAYS IN NAIROBI, THEN GO TO MOMBASA TO BOARD SHIP BOUND FOR BRITAIN ON JULY 8. COMMISSION REPORT WILL BE HANDED IN TO ATTORNEY GENERAL MUGERWA ON JULY 3 OR 4, THAT IS, AFTER JONES HAS DEPARTED UGANDA. AT SAME TIME LETTER FROM JONES REQUESTING RETIREMENT FOLLOWING TERMINAL LEAVE WILL BE DELIVERED TO GOU. JONES IS ADVISING WILKINSON TO LEAVE UGANDA FOR GOOD PRIOR DELIVERY OF REPORT TO THE A.G. JONES IS MOST CONCERNED OVER FUTURE STATUS OF BINAISA, WHO, HE FEARS, WILL BE LEFT BEHIND TO FACE THE MUSIC. THERE IS GOOD CHANCE THAT JONES' FELLOW WELSHMAN MIKE DAVIES WILL FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE AND DEPART UGANDA.

2. JONES SAYS HIS REPORT IS HARD-HITTING AND WILL NO DOUBT GREATLY ANGER GENERAL AMIN. REPORT WILL FLATLY STATE THAT STROH AND SIEDLE WERE "MURDERED" BY ELEMENTS OF SIMBA BATTALION, MBARARA. ANOTHER POINT WILL BE THAT STROH WENT TO MBARARA TO INVESTIGATE REPORTS OF A "MASSACRE" INVOLVING SIMBA BATTALION. JONES SAYS HIS REPORT ALSO CALLS ON THE GENERAL TO PUNISH THOSE REPONSIBLE FOR MURDERS, AS HE PUBLICLY STATED HE WOULD. THESE

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AND OTHER SIMILAR ASPECTS OF REPORT WILL, IN JONES' OPINION, PRECLUDE ITS PUBLICATION, BUT HE FELT OBLIGED TO WRITE THE UNVARNISHED TRUTH, HE SAYS.

3. COMMENT: IT IS CLEAR FROM JONES' REMARKS AND ALSO CLEAR FROM OPINIONS EXPRESSED TO AMBASSADOR THAT, AS WE SURMISED IN KAMPALA 1839, THE REPORT WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED AND IT IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT THE GENERAL WILL, IN FACT, VOLUNTARILY SUMMON ME TO DELIVER REPORT TO USG. CONSEQUENTLY, IT IS CLEAR I WILL HAVE TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE IN RAISING MATTER. I AM SENDING SEPTEL ON THE TIMING CONSIDERATIONS WHICH WOULD NOW APPEAR TO BE PERIOD JULY 11-16. IN VIEW OF TIMING CONSIDERATIONS (E.G. TRANSMISSION OF REPORT FROM A.G. TO AMIN UPON HIS RETURN) IT QUITE CLEAR THAT FAMILIES SHOULD BE ADVISED TO PROTECT THEIR POSITION BY FILING SUIT ON OR BEFORE JULY 7.

4. PER YOUR QUERY STATE 12054, KEEBLE BASES OPINION ON FACT THAT REPORT WILL TAKE 2 TO 3 DAYS BEING "DIGESTED" IN A.G.'S OFFICE BEFORE BEING TRANSMITTED TO AMIN. NOW THAT WE KNOW DELIVERY OF REPORT WILL BE JULY 3 OR 4, THIS MEANS AMIN WILL NOT GET REPORT UNTIL PERIOD JULY 5-8. HENCE WE AGREE WITH KEEBLE'S JUDGMENT THAT REPORT WILL NOT BE "AVAILABLE"PRIOR TO THE CRUCIAL DATE JULY 7. UNDER TERMS OF REFERENCE REPORT IS TO GENERAL AND EVEN THOUGH WE KNOW WE WILL HAVE COPY BEFORE THE DATE, OUR HAVING COPY IS MATTER OF COURTESY. THEREFORE LAWYERS (BINAISA AND KEEBLE) WILL BE UNABLE TO FORMALLY REFER TO CONCLUSIONS AND FINDINGS IN THEIR COMPLAINT.

5. WE TRANSMITTING SEPTEL VIEWS OF TIMING OF DEMARCHE.
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SUBJECT: COUP OR POSSIBLE OTHER ARRANGEMENT FOR DEMISE OF AMIN -- EARLY WARNING

1. AMBASSADOR HAS HEARD FROM THREE EXTREMELY RELIABLE SOURCES (WHO OBVIOUSLY WANT TO BE PROTECTED TO THE UTMOST EXTENT) THAT DISPLACEMENT OF AMIN IS IMMINENT.

2. ALL THREE SOURCES ATTRIBUTE TO ARMY THE INITIATIVE FOR DISPLACEMENT. ONE SOURCE INDICATES THAT MAJOR THRUST COMING FROM OFFICERS WHO MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN STROH/SIEDLE. OTHER TWO SOURCES INDICATE THAT PROFESSIONAL OFFICERS FED UP WITH AMIN RUNNING ARMY THROUGH ENLISTED MEN AND AT SAME TIME, PARADOXICALLY, WANTING TO TURN GOVERNMENT OVER TO CIVILIANS.

3. COMMENT: BITS AND PIECES OF FOREGOING STORY HAVE BEEN FLOATING AROUND FOR SOME TIME BUT QUITE APPARENT FROM ONE SOURCE, WHO IS HIGH RANKING GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL, THAT MATTER RAPIDLY COMING TO A HEAD. WILL KEEP ADDRESSES ADVISED.
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S E C R E T KAMPALA 1762

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SUBJECT: REPORTED DEMARCHE FROM OBOTE TO WESTERN NATIONS

REF: LONDON 5423

1. THIS IS FIRST WE HAVE HEARD OF REPORTED OBOTE APPROACH TO WESTERN POWERS. CERTAINLY THERE HAS BEEN NO APPROACH TO EMBASSY KAMPALA. THERE HAS BEEN UPSURGE OF RUMORS RECENTLY REGARDING A POSSIBLE COUP DURING AMIN'S ABSENCE IN RABAT. FOR AN EVEN LONGER PERIOD OBITRE-GAMA HAS FIGURED PROMINITELYIN SPECULATION ABOUT WHO MIGHT LEAD A COUP AND/OR A POST-COUP GOVERNMENT, MAINLY BECAUSE HE IS ONLY MILITARY MAN IN GOVERNMENT OTHER THAN AMIN AND BECAUSE HE APPEARS TO COMMAND LARGE MEASURE OF RESPECT IN NUMBER OF CIRCLES, PARTICULARLY AMONG PROFESSIONAL OFFICERS.

2. IN MY OPINION OBOTE COMMANDS VERY LITTLE POTENTIAL SUPPORT IN UGANDA TODAY AND HAS LITTLE CHANCE OF BEING WELCOMED BACK, EXCEPT POSSIBLY BY SOME ACHOLI AND LANGI. EVEN THESE TRIBAL GROUPS, HOWEVER, WOULD HAVE MIXED EMOTIONS BECAUSE THEY HAVE ALREADY SUFFERED GREATLY FROM THEIR PRIOR CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH OBOTE AND COMPANY. TALK OF "BROADLY-BASED GOVERNMENT" WITH REPS OF BAGANDA, LANGI AND ACHOLI INDICATES THAT AKENA ADOKO/OBOTE ARE JUST AS TRIBALLY ORIENTED AS THEIR OPPONENTS. ANY SUCH SCHEME WOULD CARRY LARGE RISKS OF EXACERBATING TRIBAL TENSIONS WHICH ARE ALREADY RIFE IN UGANDA AND WHICH HAVE BEEN AGGRAVATED BY WIDE-SPREAD TRIBALLY-INSPIRED KILLINGS IN AFTERMATH OF 1971 MILITARY TAKEOVER. IN ADDITION, I WOULD NOT BE INCLINED TO GIVE ANY WEIGHT TO "SOOTHING STATEMENTS" FOR WEST FROM OBOTE OR AKENA

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3. MY SUGGESTION WOULD BE THAT WE RESPOND TO DAWBARN (AND AKENA ADOKO OR LEGUM, IF APPROACHED BY THEM) THAT WE WISH TO REMAIN AT ARM'S LENGTH, OR EVEN TWO ARM'S LENGTH, FROM ANY SUCH PROPOSAL.

4. AS FOR DANGER OF KILLINGS OF PROMINENT PEOPLE DURING AMIN'S ABSENCE, WE HAVE HEARD REPORTS TO SAME EFFECT LOCALLY, BUT FIND IT DIFFICULT TO WEIGHT THEM (GODFREY BINAISA, FOR EXAMPLE, SEEMS MORE RELAZED AND NOT SO CONCERNED HE IS MARKED FOR ELIMINATION). DEPT WILL RECALL THAT I MADE DEMARCHE LAST SUMMER TO A. G. MUGERWA REGARDING REPORTS WE HAD RECEIVED OF A CAMPAIGN OR EXTERMINATION TO BE DIRECT AGAINST LEADING ACHOLI. GOU REACTION WAS EXTREME ANGER AT US FOR BRINGING UP SUBJECT AT ALL. I BELIEVE A SIMILAR DEMARCHE IN PRESENT CIRCUSTANCES WOULD BE NO MORE EFFECTIVE NOR REWARDING.
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MY EVALUATION IS THAT INITIAL REACTION TO MOSCOW SUMMIT IN UGANDA HAS BEEN HIGHLY FAVORABLE. PUBLIC OPINION HERE IS NOT MEASURABLE BY ANY OF THE USUAL TECHNIQUES, BUT OPINION MOLDERS WHO HAVE VOICED VIEWS HAVE COMMENTED IN UNIFORMLY FAVORABLE TERMS. AS FAR AS GOVERNMENT REACTION IS CONCERNED, ON MATTERS OF FOREIGN, ESPECIALLY GLOBAL, POLICY ALL OFFICIALS TAKE THEIR LEAD FROM PRESIDENT AMIN. HIS VIEW WAS, I BELIEVE, GENUINELY VOICED IN HIS MESSAGE SENT TO PRESIDENTS NIXON AND PODGORNY (KAMPALA 1598) IN WHICH HE DESCRIBED SIGNATURE OF STRATEGIC ARMS AGREEMENT AS "VERY POSITIVE STEP TOWARDS MEANINGFUL DIS-ARMAMENT" WHICH HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN UGANDA "WITH GREAT ENTHUSIASM AND DELIGHT." THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN PUBLICIZED IN UGANDA, SO I DO NOT BELIEVE THEREWOULD BE ANY OBJECTION TO OUR QUOTING IT AS ILLUSTRATIVE OF GOU'S VIEWS IN ANY SUMMARY OF WORLD REACTION. AS FOR THE MEDIA, THERE WAS EXTENSIVE COVERAGE LOCALLY OF THE EVENT AND THE AGREEMENTS WHICH WERE SIGNED. THERE WAS SOME EDITORIAL COMMENT IN PRESS, BUT DO NOT BELIEVE THEY ARE WORTH QUOTING BECAUSE THEY DON'T COUNT IN THE WAY THE PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE DOES.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 1597

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SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

1. GODFREY BINAISA ASKED DCM TO CALL MORNING MAY 27, SAID HE HAD JUST BEEN VISITED BY MEMBER MILITARY POLICE WHOM HE TRUSTS AND WHO INFORMED HIM GENERAL AMIN HAS "DIRECTED" THAT SEVERAL PERSONS BE MADE TO
"DISAPPEAR" DURING COMING WEEK. GENERAL ALLEGEDLY TAKING THIS ACTION BECAUSE HE FEARS COUP DURING HIS ABSENCE ABROAD (AMIN IS SCHEDULED ATTEND OAU SUMMIT IN RABAT EARLY NEXT MONTH. ONLY OTHER PERSON MENTIONED TO BINAISA AS MARKED FOR DISAPPEARANCE IS DR. ZAKE, MINISTER EDUCATION UNDER OBOTE. BINAISA SAID HE TAKES THIS REPORT SERIOUSLY BECAUSE MILITARY POLICEMAN ALSO TOLD HIM HE IS BEING FOLLOWED BY MP'S AND PROCEEDED TO RECOUNT TO BINAISA ALL HIS MOVEMENTS OF PREVIOUS DAY.

2. BINAISA SAID MP TOLD HIM MILITARY COULD BE BOUGHT OFF WITH MONEY. HOW MUCH DO THEY WANT? BINAISA ASKED. ANSWER WAS FIVE THOASAND SHILLINGS. BINAISA SAID HE REJECTED THIS PROPOSAL OUT OF HAND.

3. COMMENT: BINAISA IS NATURALLY WORRIED BUT HE BELIEVES THIS APPROACH WAS AN EXTORTION ATTEMPT RATHER THAN A REAL WARNING. HOWEVER, HE IS CONVINCED GENERAL AMIN WANTS HIM ELIMINATED.
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SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REF: DAR 1497

1. SUMMARY. ACCORDING WILKINSON, COMMISSION OF INQUIRY HEARINGS WILL END MAY 30. JUSTICE JONES WILL PROBABLY LEAVE UGANDA SOON THEREAFTER, PREPARE HIS REPORT ABROAD, AND WILL NOT RETURN TO UGANDA, BUT WILL INSTEAD APPLY FOR RETIREMENT. END SUMMARY.

2. DCM MET WITH WILKINSON MAY 26, PASSED HIM INFO CONTAINED REFTEL. (WE GREATLY APPRECIATE EMBASSY DAR'S ASSISTANCE. INFO MAY ASSIST JONES IN PREPARATION FINAL REPORT, ALTHOUGH IN FEW SESSIONS REMAINING IT WILL PROBABLY BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR COMMISSION TO DEVELOP ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE REGARDING WHO ACTUALLY COMMITTED MURDERS.)

3. WILKINSON SAID THAT AT MAY 25 HEARING ALI WAS UNUSALLY LOQUACIOUS AND GAVE LONG, RAMBLING ANSWERS TO KIRENGA'S QUESTIONS. ALI WENT ON AND ON, DIGGING A HOLE FOR HIMSELF, KEPT ALLUDING TO GENERAL SERVICE UNIT, ALL BUT ADMITTED MURDERS HAD OCCURRED AT MBARARA WHEN HE SAID HE HAD LECTURED HIS BATTALION ABOUT BAD IMAGE CAUSED BY SUCH REPORTS. MORNING SESSION MAY 26 WAS ADJOURNED WHEN MAJOR JUMA FAILED TO APPEAR FOR CROSS-EXAMINATION. HEARINGS RESUME AFTERNOON MAY 26.

4. WILKINSON IS HOPING TO PUT ON RECORD, BEFORE HEARINGS TERMINATE, SOME ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE. ALTHOUGH CIVIL-

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IAN VEHICLE GATE BOOK HAS APPARENTLY DISAPPEARED (DESTROYED) WILKINSON HOPES OBTAIN FROM MBARARA MILITARY VEHICLE ASSIGNMENT AND PETROL RECORDS WHICH WOULD CORROBORATE LORRY TRIP TO BUNDI-BUGYO CARRYING STROH'S BURNED CAR. GRIMLEY IS ALSO NOW SEARCHING FOR STROH AND SIEDLE REMAINS NEAR MBARARA AND MAY PRODUCE SOME-THING BEFORE HEARINGS TERMINATE.

5. FINAL COMMISSION HEARING WILL BE MORNING MAY 30 AS WILKINSON IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART THAT AFTERNOON FOR LONDON. HE MUST LATER DO SOME WORK IN MOMBASA AND WILL NOT RETURN TO UGANDA BEFORE JUNE 15. JUSTICE JONES HAS BEEN ADVISED BY "RELIABLE SOURCES" TO GET OUT OF UGANDA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, ACCORDING WILKINSON. JONES' PRESENT PLAN IS APPARENTLY TO GO TO KENYA ON LEAVE WHEN HEARINGS TERMINATE (WILKINSON HAS A HOUSE THERE WHICH HE WILL LET JONES USE) AND WILL WRITE HIS REPORT THERE. JONES IS CONCERNED ABOUT GETTING HIS DOCUMENTS OUT, AND MAY REQUEST ASSISTANCE ON THAT SCORE. WHEN JONES HAS FINISHED HIS LEAVE HE PLANS TO APPLY FOR RETIREMENT, WITHOUT RETURNING TO UGANDA. HE WILL PRESUMABLY HAVE SUBMITTED HIS COMMISSION REPORT PRIOR THAT TIME.

6. DCM MENTIONED THAT FAMILIES WILL HAVE TO DECIDE PRIOR JULY 9 WHETHER THEY WISH PURSUE COMPENSATION CLAIMS AGAINST GOU, ALTHOUGH BY ONE INTERPRETATION STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS DID NOT REALLY BEGIN RUNNING UNTIL MARCH OR APRIL OWING TO FACT THAT GOU HAD DELIBERATELY ATTEMPTED CONCEAL EVIDENCE UNTIL THAT TIME. WILKINSON AGREED THERE HAD BEEN DELIBERATE CONCEALMENT, BUT HE WONDERED IF AMIN'S DECREE GRANTING GOU IMMUNITY FOR ANY KILLINGS IN CONNECTION WITH MILITARY TAKEOVER DID NOT PRECLUDE COMPEN-SATION SUITS. TO SUGGESTION THAT THAT DECREE WAS UNCONSTITUTIONAL, WILKINSON RESPONDED THAT AMIN IS OUT OF CONTROL, THINKS HE CAN GET AWAY WITH ANYTHING, AND IS CAPABLE OF SUSPENDING ENTIRE CON-STITUTION RETROACTIVELY. WILKINSON AGREED THAT LACK OF A TERMINAL DATE ON IMMUNITY FOR KILLINGS AMOUNTS TO A CONCEPT OF A "CONTINUING COUP" THAT IS STILL NOT OVER AND WHICH, IN TURN, CALL INTO QUESTION DE JURE STATUS OF PRESENT REGIME (I.E., IF THE COUP IS STILL IN PROCESS, THE GOVERNMENT CANNOT BE DEEMED TO BE IN CONTROL OF SITUATION AND THEREFORE DOES NOT MERIT DE JURE RECOGNITION).

7. IN WILKINSON'S OPINION AMIN ORDERED THE HEARINGS TERMINATED BECAUSE COMMISSION WAS GETTING UNCOMFORTABLY CLOSE TO THE TRUTH AND PRESIDENT DECIDED TO CALL A HALT BEFORE HIS LACK OF CONTROL

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SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REF: KAMPALA 1527

1. SUMMARY. JUSTICE JONES HAS BEEN ORDERED TO TERMINATE HIS COMMISSION OF INQUIRY WITHIN TEN DAYS, COUNTING FROM MAY 22, BY LETTER FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL. HE INTENDS COMPLY. AS FOR HIS OWN SITUATION, IT COMES DOWN TO DILEMMA THAT HE IS AFRAID TO STAY AND AFRAID TO LEAVE, AND HE IS NOT SURE WHAT HE WILL DO. HE HAS, HOWEVER, PROMISED TO GIVE US COPY OF HIS FINAL REPORT, SINCE HE DOES NOT KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO IT AFTER HE SUBMITS IT TO A.G. MUGERWA. END SUMMARY.

2. GREEK HONORARY CONSUL CALOGEROPOULOS (PROTECT) BROUGHT MESSAGE FROM JUSTICE JONES TO DCM EVENING MAY 22 TO EFFECT JONES HAD JUST RECEIVED LETTER FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL MUGERWA INSTRUCTING HIM TO CONCLUDE HIS INQUIRY INTO STROH/SIEDLE CASE WITHIN TEN DAYS STARTING THAT DAY. LETTER SAID HE COULD CALL ANYONE HE WISHED AS WITNESS, BUT APPARENTLY DID NOT RESPOND DIRECTLY TO JONES' REQUEST FOR ASSURANCES OF "SAFE CONDUCT" FOR AN UNNAMED WITNESS HE WISHED TO CALL (REFTEL).

3. JONES FIGURES HIS DEADLINE EXPIRES MAY 31. HE INTENDS DO BEST HE CAN IN FIVE TO SIX DAYS OF HEARINGS

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REMAING TO HIM. ACCORDING CALOGEROPOULOS, JONES WOULD LIKE TO OFFER US COPY OF HIS FINAL REPORT, BOTH FOR COPYING BY US AND FOR TRANSMITTAL TO UK, IN CASE GOU DOESN'T PUBLISH IT AND OTHERWISE SUPPRESSES IT. (DCM SAID WE WOULD CERTINALY WELCOME THIS OFFER BUT HOPED MATTER COULD BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.) REPORT WILL APPEND TEXTS OF DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING JONES' CORRESPONDENCE WITH MUGERWA, AS WELL AS PHOTOGRAPHS (PRESUMABLY OF REMAINS OF STROH CAR).

4. JONES TOLD CALOGEROPOULOS THAT HE FINDS HIMSELF IN PERSONAL DILIMMA. HE WOULD SIMPLY LIKE TO GET OUT OF UGANDA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT HE WOULD FIRST LIKE TO COLLECT THREE THOUSAND POUNDS OWED HIM ON HIS PRESENT CONTRACT PLUS TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND POUNDS OWED HIM AS PENSION OR TERMINAL COMPENSATION (UNCLEAR TO US EXACTLY WHAT THESE FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS ARE FOR EXPAT JUDGES STILL IN SERVICE HERE.) IN FACT, CALOGEROPOULOS SAID, JONES WOULD PREFER TO BE EXPELLED, AS ON WAY OUT HE WOULD ASK FOR THE 26 THOUSAND POUNDS DUE HIM, AND WOULD GO WILLINGLY, KNOWING HIS REPORT ON STROH/SIEDLE CASE WAS SAFELY OUT OF COUNTRY. OTHER HORN OF JONES' DILEMMA IS THAT AFTER HE HAS SUBMITTED HIS REPORT HE WILL FIND IT IMPOSSIBLE TO REMAIN IN UGANDA AND TO TRAVEL TO TORORO, GULU, MBALE, MBARARA TO HEAR CASES, AS IS HIS DUTY, WITH JUDICIAL IMPUNITY. IN STRAIGHTFORWARD TERMS, HE THINKS ELEMENTS OF UGANDAN ARMY WILL SIMPLY KILL HIM IF THEY FIND AN OPPORTUNITY.

5. I AM SENDING MESSAGE TO JONES THAT I WOULD LIKE TO TALK WITH HIM TOWARD END OF THIS WEEK, AFTER HEARINGS HAVE RESUMED MAY 24. I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT I BE AUTHORIZED TO TELL JONES THAT WE THINK HE HAS DONE FINE JOB WITH HIS INQUIRY, WE REGRET IT HAS CAUSED HIM PERSONAL DIFFICULTIES, WE ARE APPRECIATE OF HIS CONTINUING CONCERN FOR ACHIEVING MOST CONCLUSIVE POSSIBLE OUTCOME OF INQUIRY, BUT EVEN IF MOST DEFINITIVE FINDING IS THAT MEN ARE DEAD IT WOULD GO LONG WAY TOWARD HELPING TWO FAMILIES IN SETTLING SOME OF THEIR POBLEMS. I WOULD ALSO PROPOSE TO ACCEPT HIS OFFER OF A COPY OF HIS FINAL REPORT AS WELL AS RESPONDING POSITIVELY TO HIS REQUEST THAT WE SEND A COPY TO UK FOR HIM, IF HE SO DESIRES. REQUEST DEPARTMENT'S CONCURRENCE, AS WELL AS ANY

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ADDITIONAL POINTS I SHOULD MAKE TO JONES.

6. ASSUME DEPARTMENT IS PASSING ON APPROPRIATE NON-SENSITIVE ASPECTS OF OUR REPORTING OF RECENT DEVELOPMENT TO KENDALL AND TO SIEDLE FAMILY REPRESENTATIVES.
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EXDIS

SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REFS: (A) STATE 77153 (B) KAMPALA 1306

1. REFTELS CROSSED. WE HAVE PASSED REF (A) TO BINAISA. IT PROVIDES AUTHORIZATION TO FILE NOTICE WHICH BINAISA REQUESTED IN REF (B) BUT LATTER SHOULD BE PASSED TO KENDATL ANYWAY FOR HIS INFO.

2. WE AGREE WITH BINAISA'S ASSESSMENT OF ANNOUNCEMENT BY PRESIDENT PUBLISHED IN PRESS TODAY (SEE KAMPALA 1306) THAT INTENDED DECREE CONSITUTES EFFORT BY GENERAL TO EVADE GOU RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEATHS OF STROH AND SIEDLE. FROM THIS PERSPECTIVE IT WOULD SEEM ONLY PROPER COURSE IS FOR LOCAL ATTORNEYS TO FILE NOTICES ON BEHALF OF STROHS AND SIEDLES SOONEST (BINAISA MAY BE ABLE ACT TODAY, OR TOMORROW AT LATEST) IN ORDER PROTECT FAMILIES' INTERESTS PRIOR PUBLICATION OF DECREE. BINAISA BELIEVES IT MAY END UP IN A CONSTITUTIONAL IMBROGLIO, BUT DIFFICULT TO PREDICT COURSE OF EVENTS FROM NOW ON.

3. GIVE-AWAY IN PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENT IS HIS ANSWER RE PERIOD TO BE COVERED BY DECREE: THAT "UP TO JULY WHEN HE RETURNED FROM BRITAIN PEOPLE WERE STILL BEING KILLED." DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT AMIN LEFT UGANDA JULY 11 FOR VISITS TO ISRAEL AND UK, AND RETURNED JULY 18. WHILE SECURITY SITUATION WAS BAD DURING HIS ABSENCE AND THERE WERE NUMBER OF REPORTS OF FIGHTING IN ARMY AND KILLINGS, HIS REFERENCE TO HIS RETURN FROM UK (AT WHICH TIME HE MOST

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PROBABLY LEARNED OF MURDERS OF STROH AND SIEDLE) NEATLY COVERS THIS INCIDENT IN WHICH FOREIGNERS WERE KILLED. THERE HAVE BEEN SERIOUS INCIDENTS OF KILLINGS BY ARMY SINCE JULY, WHICH AMIN COULD JUST AS WELL HAVE COVERED BY EXTENDING DATE, AND IT IS FAR-FETCHED TO ALLEGE THAT MURDERS OF AMERICANS IN JULY ARE SUBSUMED UNDER RUBRIC OF "PEOPLE KILLED DURING MILITARY TAKE-OVER LAST YEAR." THIS IS ALSO FIRST WE HAVE HEARD OF AMIN'S ADVICE TO STROH AND OTHERS NOT TO VISIT MILITARY BARRACKS.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 1231

EXDIS

SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

1. JONES COMMMISSION HEARING CONVENED APRIL 26. MAJOR JUMA APPEARED, WITH ATTORNEY DE COSTA TO REPRESENT HIM. LATTER ASKED FOR ADJOURNMENT TO PERMIT HIM STUDY RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS. JUSTICE JONES ADJOURNED HEARING UNTIL MAY 3.

2. FYI: WILKINSON DESCRIBES DA COSTA AS YOUNG, NOT VERY BRIGHT AND NOT VERY EXPERIENCED. ACCORDING WILKINSON, JUMA SOUGHT ADVICE OF GENERAL AMIN LAST WEEK BUT GENERAL WOULD HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH HIM. JUMA IS NOW BITTER, WILKINSON SAYS, AND SEEMS PREPARED TO GIVE TESTIMONY WHICH MAY WELL IMPLICATE THE GENERAL. WILKINSON SUGGESTED EXTENDED ADJOURNMENT TO JUSTICE JONES TO PERMIT HIM TIME TO TRY TO ARRANGE FOR TESTIMONY TO BE TAKEN FROM LT TIBIHIKA IN KENYA (POSSIBLY KISUM). WILKINSON IS GOING TO NAIROBI APRIL 27, PLANS TO SEE AG NJONJO AND WILL ASK LATTER TO FACILITATE CONVENING OF JONES COMMISSION ON KENYAN SOIL. COL ALI AND MAJOR JUMA HAVE REFUSED TO GO TO TANZANIA TO PARTICIPATE IN TAKING OF TESTIMONY FROM WITNESSES: THEY WILL GO TO KENYA, WILKINSON SAYS. BUT THERE MAY BE PROBLEM IN GETTING TIBIHIKA TO COME TO KENYA.

3. CONTINUE FYI: WILKINSON REPORTS THAT MINISTER DEFENSE HAS REPLIED TO COMMISSION'S REQUEST FOR DOCUMENTS (PAY AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT RECORDS) THAT IT WOULD TAKE MANY

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WEEKS TO SORT OUT AND FIND REQUESTED INFORMATION AND CHECK IT OUT WITH OFFICERS CONCERNED. WILKINSON WAS ENTIRELY DISDAINFUL OF THIS ANSWER AND SAID WHAT MINISTRY DEFENSE REALLY WANTS TO DO IS GET TO OFFICERS FIRST AND MAKE SURE THEY TELL "RIGHT" STORIES. WILKINSON SAID HE HAS REFUSED GIVE MINISTRY NAMES OF OFFICERS WHOSE PAY RECORDS HE IS INTERESTED IN.

4. CONTINUE FYI: GODFREY BINAISA SAYS HE HAS MET WITH HIS CLIENT FROM JINJA (KAMPALA 1193) AND FATHER AND SON WHO IS IN ARMY WILL BE CALLING ON HIM MAY 1. SON, WHO WAS WITH SIMBA BATTALION LAST JULY, REPORTEDLY SAYS THAT THE "AUTHORITIES" ARE THREATENING ALL SOLDIERS WHO SERVED AT MBARARA LAST JULY WITH "SHOOTING" UNLESS THEY TELL THEM WHAT THEY KNOW ABOUT WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR DEATHS TWO AMCITS. BINAISA SUGGESTED WE WARN EMBASSY KAMPALA. WE SHOULD BE THINKING ABOUT WAYS TO GET THIS SOLDIER OUT OF COUNTRY IMMEDIATELY AFTER HE TESTIFIES (IF HE AGREES TO DO SO) AND TO GET HIM A JOB IN KENYA. DCM SAID THAT SEEMED TO BE RESPONSIBILITY OF COMMISSION. END FYI.

5. RECOMMEND ONLY PARA ONE ABOVE BE PASSED TO KENDALL AT THIS TIME.
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SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REF: DAR 1073

1. WILL DISCUSS SUBSTANCE REFTEL WITH WILKINSON AND BINAISA AT EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY.

2. SERIOUSLY DOUBT WILKINSON MADE STATEMENTS ATTRIBUTED TO HIM. FURTHERMORE, TO OUR KNOWLEDGE MRS. STROH HAS NEVER MADE OFFER OF FINANCIAL REWARD FOR INFORMATION ABOUT HER HUSBAND (FYI WENDELL COOTE DOES NOT RECALL SUCH OFFER END FYI.)

3. WILL ADVISE.
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SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REF: KAMPALA 1078

1. GODFREY BINAISA CALLED APRIL 17 TO DISCUSS LATEST DEVELOPMENTS, PASSED ON REPORT (WHICH MAY BE NO BETTER THAN A RUMOR) TO EFFECT THAT SOME OF COLONELS IN UGANDA ARMY ARE "SUPPORTING" ALI AND ADVISING HIM TO "TELL ALL," THAT IS, TO PUT THE BLAME ON GENERAL AMIN. ACCORDING BINAISA THERE WAS A TELEPHONE CALL TO ALI LAST JULY, IN SWAHILI, ALLEGEDLY FROM PRESIDENT, TELLING HIM TO "DO AWAY WITH" THE TWO AMERICANS WHO HAD BEEN PESTERING THE SIMBA BATTALION. THESE PRO-ALI COLONELS HAVE ALSO ADVISED THE PRESIDENT THAT IT IS TIME FOR THE UGANDA MILITARY TO RETURN TO THE BARRACKS BEFORE THE UGANDAN POPULACE BLAMES THEM FOR HAVING BOTCHED EVERYTHING. AGAIN ACCORDING BINAISA'S STORY, GENERAL AMIN ASKED FOR A WEEK TO CONSIDER THEIR PROPOSAL. RELATED REPORT IS THAT LUGBARA TRIBE, WHICH IS STRONGLY REPRESENTED IN OFFICER CORPS, IS SPLIT DOWN MIDDLE OVER AMIN'S TREATMENT OF DISMISSED INTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER OBITRE-GAMA, WITH LARGE PORTION SUPPORTING LATTER.

2. ABOVE DOES NOT EXACTLY DOVE-TAIL WITH WILKINSON'S REPORT (REFTEL) BUT IT IS ANOTHER INDICATION OF OFFICER PRESSURE BEING EXERTED ON AMIN AS RESULT RECENT STROH-SIEDLE INQUIRY DEVELOPMENTS. BINAISA SAYS DEFENSE COUNCIL HAS DECLINED TO RATIFY AMIN'S DECISION TO SEEK MILITARY TRAINERS FROM LIBYA, WHICH LIES BEHIND PRESIDENT'S

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SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REF: KAMPALA 1070

1. SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION WITH WILKINSON HAS CHANGED SIGNALS SOMEWHAT. HE NOW PLANS FLY TO NAIROBI AFTERNOON APRIL 15, WILL CONTINUE ON TO DAR SUNDAY MORNING. TANGOV HAS ARRANGED TO BRING LT TIBHIKA FROM REFUGEE CAMP TO DAR, WHERE WILKINSON WILL TAKE HIS DEPOSITION IN PRIVATE HOUSE. (ARRANGEMENTS WITH TANGOV ARE ALL CONFIDENTIAL.) IF ALL GOES WELL WILKINSON WILL RETURN NAIROBI MONDAY.

2. WE AGREED IT WOULD BE BETTER, IN INTERESTS SPEED, FOR WILKINSON TO GIVE US DSPOSITION IN NAIROBI, TO BE POUCHED BY EMBASSY NAIROBI TO EMBASSY KAMPALA. WILKINSON WILL CONTACT EITHER LUKENS OR KINTER IN NAIROBI, PPROBABLY ON MONDAY, TO SEE IF WE HAVE AGREED TO HANDLE DEPOSITION.

3. FYI: WILKINSON SAYS HE UNDERSTANDS THREE UGANDAN ARMY COLONELS HAVE CALLED ON AMIN AND URGED HIM TO HAVE ALI "TAKE RAP" ON STROH AND SIEDLE. ACCORDING WILKINSON, THESE COLONELS ARE THEMSELVES GUILTY OF INNUMERABLE MURDERS IN PAST YEAR AND HOPE ALI CAN BE MADE TO ASSUME BLAME FOR EVERYONE. WILKINSON ALSO SAID HE HOPES TO ARRANGE TO HAVE SIMBA BATTALION LIEUTENANT WHO SENT COMMISSION ANONYMOUS LETTER "DISAPPEAR" OVER BORDER INTO TANZANIA, FOLLOWING WHICH COMMISSION WILL BE ABLE OBTAIN FROM HIM HIS INVALUABLE "EYE-WITNESS" ACCOUNT OF DEATHS OF STROH

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 1070

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SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

1. P.J. WILKINSON, COUNSEL TO JUSTICE JONES' COMMISSION OF INQUIRY, REPORTS HE HAS RECEIVED CLEARANCE FROM NYERERE, APPARENTLY THROUGH PRIVATE CAHNNEL, TO GO TO DAR HIMSELF TO TAKE DISPOSITION FROM LT TIBIHIKA. WILKINSON IS FLYING TO NAIROBI TONIGHT, OSTENSIBLY TO VISIT HIS FATHER, AND WILL PROCEED TO DAR ON FIRST AVAILABLE FLIGHT, HOPEFULLY TONIGHT OR TOMORROW MORNING. HE ASKS IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR HIM TO GIVE DEPOSITION, ONCE PERPARED, TO EMBASSY DAR FOR TRANSMITTAL BY POUCH TO EMBASSY KAMPALA AND SAFE DELIVERY TO HIM ON HIS RETURN HERE. HE FEARS HE MAY BE RELIEVED OF DOCUMENT ON WAY BACK FROM DAR.

2. WE HAVE TOLD HIM WE WOULD HAVE TO REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FROM WASHINGTON AND WOULD DO SO IMMEDIATELY. SINCE ANSWER NOT LIKELY TO BE RECEIVED PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE FROM ENTEBBE, WE PLAN TO

TELL HIM TO CHECK WITH AMB ROSS IN DAR, WHO WILL BE ABLE GIVE HIM ANSWER AND RECEIVE DOCUMENT IF ANSWER POSITIVE. IN ABSENCE AMBASSADOR WE SUGGESTED HE GET IN TOUCH WITH AMBASSADOR'S SECRETARY OR EMBASSY DAR DUTY OFFICER, WHO WILL BE ABLE TELL HIM WHOM TO SEE.

3. I STRONGLY AND URGENTLY RECOMMEND THAT DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZE EMBASSY DAR TO RECEIVE DEPOSITION AND POUCH IT TO US FOR DELIVERY TO WILKINSON HERE. LT TIBIHIKA'S TESTIMONY, NEEDLESS TO SAY,

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IS CRUCIAL TO STROH/SIEDLE INQUIRY AT THIS POINT. WILKINSON UNDERSTANDS THAT OUR ROLE MUST BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.
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SUBJ: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REF: KAMPALA 1009

1. FOLLOWING ARE FURTHER DETAILS FROM DCM'S CONVERSATIONS WTIH WILKINSON AND BINAISA (SEPARATELY) APRIL 10 (PROTECT SOURCES AND SUBSTANCE).

2. COMMISSION DECIDED AT CONSULTATION IN JUSTICE JONES' CHAMBERS APRIL 10 THAT FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS OUGHT TO BE SEARCH FOR STROH VEHICLE AT LOCATION PINPOINTED BY LT TIBIHIKA. JONES, WHO DOES NOT LIKE TO FLY, LEFT FOR FORT PORTAL BY CAR APRIL 10. OTHERS WILL FLY THERE IN GOU PLANE APRIL 11. INCLUDED IN PARTY WILL BE WILKINSON, BINAISA, TWO PRESSMEN, TWO PHOTOGRAPHERS, CHIEF OF CID, BALLISTICS, HANDWRITING AND FINGER PRINT EXPERTS. (WILKINSON OFFERED EMPTY SEAT ON PLANE FOR EMBOFF OBSERVER, WHICH WAS POLITELY DECLINED.) AT FORT PORTAL GROUP INTENDS JOIN UP WITH DETACHMENT OF UGANDAN ARMY IN LAND ROVERS TO SEARCHAREA INDICATED BY LT TIBIHIKA. ACCORDING WILKINSON'S VERSION STROH CAR WAS FIRST SET AFIRE AND THEN PUSHED DOWN INTO STEEP RAVINE BEYOND KICHWAMBA TECHNICAL SCHOOL. CAR GOT STUCK HALF WAY DOWN, BUT ARMY TYPES WHO DID JOB THEN PUSHED IT ALL THE WAY DOWN RAVINE. WILKINSON HOPES FIND SOME LOCAL PEOPLE WHO WILL TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED, EVEN IF REMAINS OF CAR NOT FOUND. HE HAS CAR SERIAL AND ENGINE NUMBERS FOR MAKING IDENTIFICATION.

3. DEPENDING ON OUTCOME OF SEARCH FOR CAR COMMISSION WILL

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DECIDE HOW TO PROCEED WITH LT TIBIHIKA. PREFERRED COURSE WILL BE TO ASK TANGOV TO BRING LT TO EITHER MWANZA OR BUKOBA, WHERE COMMISSION WILL CONVENE TO TAKE HIS TESTIMONY (THESE PLACES CHOSEN IN PREFERENCE TO DAR BECAUSE OF JONES AVERVSION TO FLYING). IF THIS PLAN UNACCEPTABLE TO TANGOV, COMMISSION WILL REQUEST THAT TANZANIAN MAGISTRATE OR ATTORNEY TAKE DEPOSITION AND FORWARD IT TO COMMISSION. (BINAISA NOTED TO JONES THAT HE MUCH PREFERRED LT'S APPEARANCE BEFORE COMMISSION, AS HE WISHES CROSS-EXAMINE. WILKINSON SAID HE HAD NUMBER OF QUESTIONS TO PUT TO LT AS WELL. BINAISA DESCRIBED LT TIBIHIKA AS ONE OF BETTER EDUCATED MEN IN UGANDAN ARMY, TRAINED AS OFFICER RATHER THAN COMMISSIONED FROM RANKS, AND AS HAVING COMPLETED TRAINING COURSE IN ISRAEL. HE IS ALSO RELATED TO PROMINENT FORMER OFFICIAL OF UDC.)

4. REFERRING TO OBSERVER ARTICLE BY MARTIN, WILKINSON NOTED THAT FINGER WAS POINTED AT MAJOR JUMA MORE THAN AT COL ALI. NEVERTHERLESS, HE SAID, HIS PLANNED TACTIC IS TO DISCREDIT ALI TO SUCH AN EXTENT THAT NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE IMPORTANT TESTIMONY WILL BE ENCOURAGED TO COME FORWARD AND TESTIFY BEFORE COMMISSION WITHOUT FEAR OF REPRISAL BY ALI (OR JUMA). WILKINSON SHOWED DCM ANONYMOUS LETTER FROM A DIFFERENT LT OF SIMBA BATTALION, WHICH STATED HIS WILLINGNESS TESTIFY BEFORE COMMISSION IF PROTECTION GUARANTEED. WILKINSON SAID HE KNOWS IDENTITY OF THE LIEUTENANT AND HE PLANS CALL HIM AT APPROPRIATE MOMENT (AFTER ALI AND JUMA HAVE BEEN "THROWN TO THE DOGS BY AMIN"). THIS LIEUTENANT'S IMPORTANCE LIES IN FACT HE CLAIMS TO HAVE BEEN EYE-WITNESS TO MURDERS OF STROH AND SIEDLE IN BARRACKS. HIS ACCOUNT IN LETTER DIFFERS FROM LT TIBIHIKA'S IN THAT HE SAYS AMERICANS WERE STRAPPED TO OIL DRUMS AND THEN SHOT AND BURNED, WHEREAS ACCORDING OBSERVER ARTICLE TIBIHIKA SAYS THEY WERE STABBED TO DEATH. ALSO, ANONYMOUS LT SAYS ORDERS FOR EXECUTION AMERICANS CAME FORM UGANDAN ARMY HQ WHEREAS TIBIHIKA SAYS ORDERS FOR DESTROYING EVIDENCE FOLLOWING EXECUTION CAME FROM ARMY HQ. IN BRIEF, TESTIMONY OF BOTH LIEUTENANTS IS PERHAPS CRUCIAL. (WILKINSON SAID BINAISA IS NOT AWARE OF OTHER LT'S ANONYMOUS LETTER OF HIS WILLINGNESS TESTIFY, AS HE HAS HELD THIS EXTREMELY CLOSELY TO JONES AND HIMSELF. PROTECT.)

5. WILKINSON SAID A THIRD PRIEST (NOT FATHER YOU OR FATHER SEIT) APPEARED ONE DAY, HAD COFFEE WITH COMMSIION MEMBERS:

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DURING RECESS, AND PROCEEDED TO "SPILL BEANS" ABOUT ALL HE KNEW. HE WAS CHAPLIAN OF MBARARA BARRACKS AND HAD A LOT TO CONTRIBUTE. HOWEVER, WHEN WILKINSON ASKED FOR HIS APPEARANCE HE DISAPPEARED, AS HE WAS AFRAID TO TESTIFY. WILKINSON HOPES THIS MAN, AND OTHER RESIDENTS OF MBARARA WHO "COULD WRAP UP CASE" WILL COME FORWARD ONCE ALI AND JUMA HAVE BEEN "THROWN TO THE DOGS."

6. COMMENT: MY PERSONAL REACTION AT THIS STAGE IS THAT THE PRINCIPALS OF THIS INQUIRY--JUSTICE JONES, COUNSEL WILKINSON AND BINAIS--HAVE BEEN DOING A MASTERFUL JOB OF GETTING AT THE TRUTH IN RATHER DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES (WHICH INVOLVE, LET IT BE SAID, THE CREDIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF A SOVEREIGN GOVERNMENT). WHILE FINAL OUTCOME CANNOT BE ASSURED, I BELIEVE WE SHOULD BE GRATEFUL THAT SUCH ABLE AND DIDICATED PEOPLE ARE DEALING WITH WHAT IS FUNDAMENTALLY A MOST DIFFICULT CASE.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 0995
EXDIS
SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REFS: STATE 60778; DAR 835

1. DCM CALLED ON WILKINSON NOON APRIL 8 AND PASSED TO HIM INFO RE LOCATIONS VEHICLE AND BODIES; WILKINSON SAID HE HAD ALREADY RECEIVED REPORT FROM PHILIP SHORT, REUTERS CORRESPONDENT WHO HAS BEEN COOPERATING CLOSELY BUT CONFIDENTIALLY WITH JONES COMMISSION, RE PRESENCE SIMBA BATTALION LIEUTENANT IN TANZANIA. WILKINSON APPEARED THAVE CONSIDERABLE DETAIL OF LIEUTENANT'S STORY, BUT CURIOUSLY ENOUGH HE WAS NOT AWARE LIEUTENANT HAD IDENTIFIED VEHICLE/BODY LOCATIONS. WILKINSON SAID IT WAS JUSTICE JONES' INTENTION TO CONVENE COMMISSION IN DAR TO TAKE DEPOSITION FROM LIEUTENANT. HE SPECULATED THAT LIEUTENANT IN QUESTION MAY BE SAME MAN FROM WHOM COMMISSION RECEIVED LETTER ABOUT A MONTH AGO OFFERING TO TESTIFY IN PERSON BEFORE COMMISSION (AND GIVE "EYE-WITNESS" TESTIMONY) OF COMMISSION WOULD GUARANTEE HIS SAFETY FROM REPRISAL.

2. WILKINSON STATED HE HOPED MARTIN WOULD NOT PUBLISH INFO RE VEHICLE/BODY LOCATIONS IN HIS OBSERVER ARTICLE. DCM SAID HE DID NOT KNOW, BUT ASSUMED THAT WOULD BE PART OF STORY FILED BY MARTIN. WILKINSON SAID THAT WOULD BE THE END OF THE EVIDENCE. IF IT WERE NOT PUBLISHED HE WOULD GO TO TWO LOCATIONS HIMSELF TO LOOK FOR EVIDENCE (POLICE, HE SAID, ARE HOPELESS AND WOULD DO NOTHING). WILKINSON THEREUPON CALLED PHIL SHORT AND ASKED HIM TO CONTACT MARTIN AND REQUEST HE NOT PUBLISH MATERIAL RE TWO LOCATIONS.

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3. BELIEVE SHORT WILL DO SO, BUT RECOMMEND EMBASSY DAR APPROACH MARTIN AGAIN WITH WILKINSON'S REQUEST. IF MARTIN AGREEABLE TO SUPPRESSION THOSE TWO ITEMS, HE SHOULD ALSO ELIMINATE THEM FROM HIS TELEX OF INTERVIEW BEING SENT COMMISSION.

4. PHIL SHORT HAS JUST REPORTED THAT HE HAS TALKED WITH MARTIN BY PHONE AND WAS ENTIRELY UNSUCCESSFUL IN HIS ATTEMPT TO DISSUADE MARTIN FROM PUBLISHING THIS MATERIAL. MARTIN REPORTEDLY SAID THAT ACCORDING HIS INFO JONES COMMISSION IS "NOT IN A SWEAT" TO KEEP MATERIAL OUT OF PRINT.
REQUEST EMBASSY DAR ATTEMPT PERSUADE MARTIN TO ELIMINATE INFO RE LOCATIONS OF EVIDENCE, ON BASIS THAT EVIDENCE WILL NO LONGER BE THERE TOMORROW EVENING IF HE PUBLISHES INFO.
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SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE

REF: (A) DAR 828, (B) KAMPALA 981, (C) DAR 835, (D) STATE 60778

1. WE WILL CONTACT WILKINSON AND PASS THE RESTRICTED INFO (REFTEL D).

2. IN CONVERSATION WITH JUSTICE JONES LAST NIGHT, I WAS STUNNED TO HEAR HIM ASK ME FOR DETAILS OF LONDON OBSERVER STORY. I INFORMED HIM THAT WE HAD INFORMATION THERE MIGHT BE A STORY, BUT DIVULGED NO RPT NO DETAILS. I ASSUME THAT SOURCE OF HIS INFO IS AS STATED REF C PARA 3. JONES FURTHER OBSERVED THAT HE NOW FIRMLY OF OPINION THAT GENERAL PREPARED TO THROW ALI TO THE WOLVES.

3. JONES STATES THAT AFTER CONVERSATION WITH THE GENERAL AND ATTORNEY GENERAL HE WAS INSTRUCTED TO RESUME HEARINGS IMMEDIATELY, MILITARY OR ANYBODY ELSE WOULD BE ORDERED TO PRODUCE RECORDS AND EVIDENCE, AND EXPRESSED REGRET THAT JONES HAD ADJOURNED COMMISSION ON ACCOUNT OF ALI'S NON-COOPERATION WITHOUT CONSULTING HIM (GENERAL) FIRST.

4. COMMENT: GENERAL'S INTERVIEW AND POSITION HAS ALL INDICATIONS THAT HE HAS NOW, UNPREDICTABLY, COMPLETELY CHANGED HIS MIND ABOUT COMMISSION. IN SUCH A CASE, GIVEN TOUGHNESS AND DETERMINATION OF JUSTICE JONES, I WOULD ANTICIPATE DEFINITIVE FINDINGS AT END OF INQUIRY. AS I HAD SURMISED, JUSTICE JONES CONFIRMED HIS THEORY OF CASE, I.E. TO BUILD A BODY OF NEGATIVE EVIDENCE PRECLUDING

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ANY INFERENCE OTHER THAN ELEMENTS OF SIMBA BATTALION MURDERED STROH AND SIEDLE. HE SAID HE WAS ALREADY WORKING ON THIS FINDINGS OF FACT.

5. I FRANKLY, AT THIS POINT, CANNOT JUDGE THE STATUS OF THE EX GRATIA MATTER. I WILL HOWEVER IN THE UPCOMING WEEK ATTEMPT TO PROBE ON APPROPRIATE OCCASIONS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND FOREIGN MINISTER. IN ADDITION TO THE UNEXPECTED TURN THAT THE COMMISSION HEARINGS HAVE TAKEN, THERE IS ALSO THE MATTER OF THE EX GRATIA OFFER BEING ORIGINALLY PRESENTED BY THE ISRAELI AMBASSADOR. IF THE ISRAELI TAINT IS AS BAD AS IT HAD APPEARED IN OTHER MATTERS, E.G. BINAISA'S REPRESENTATION OF ISRAELI INTERESTS AND THE GENERAL'S REACTION, IT MAY VERY WELL BE THAT THE ENTIRE SCHEME WILL HAVE TO BE WORKED OUT AGAIN. END COMMENT.
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SUBJECT: SOUTHERN SUDAN

1. MAKEREE CONTACT CALLED ON ME AT RESIDENCE THIS EVENING (LOCAL) WITH MESSAGE THAT SOUTHERN REBEL LEADERS WANTED URGENTLY TO SEE ME RE TERMS OF PEACE SETTLEMENT. SOURCE STATED "LEADERSHIP" HAS PROBLEMS

"OF IMPLICATIONS" SOME PROVISIONS OF AGREEMENT AND ALSO SOME PROBLEMS BECAUSE THEY DO NOT UNDERSTAND LEGALLY FRAMED SECTIONS. ACCORDING TO SOURCE LEADERSHIP WANTS PEACE BUT MUST KNOW WHAT DOCUMENT REALLY MEANS. SOURCE ALSO INDICATES INITIALED COPY AGREEMENT IN KAMPALA.

2. DEPT AWARE OF AND REASONS FOR MY POLICY NOT SEEING REBEL LEADERS PERSONALLY. I MAKE NO RECOMMENDATION ON THIS REQUEST EXCEPT POINT OUT ARGUMENTS ON BOTH SIDES. (A) SHOULD NOT SEE LEADERSHIP SINCE IF PACT GOES SOUR AFTER CONTACT WITH ME ALL OF GAINS OF POLICY OF NON-INVOLVEMENT WILL HAVE GONE DOWN DRAIN: (B) ON OTHER HAND OBVIOUS PART RUNNING INTO SOME DIFFICULTIES WHICH MAY IN FACT TURN OUT TO BE MINOR. THUS COULD BE OPPORTUNITY USG TO CONTRIBUTE TO PEACEFUL SOLUTION.

3. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP AS I THINK AT THIS DELICATE STAGE IMPORTANT TO RESPOND YES OR NO PROMPTLY.
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REF: STATE 26094

PRESIDENTIAL LETTER RECEIVED LAST POUCH FEBRUARY 19. IN VIEW OF DATE OF LETTER, WOULD APPRECIATE AUTHORIZATION TO DELIVER IF OVER-RIDING OBJECTIONS SUBSIDED. AS REPORTED COLLATERALLY, GENERAL PLANNING NEW SET OF TRIPS INCLUDING "GRAND TOUR U.S., USSR AND PRC". BELIEVE LETTER WOULD BE PARTICULARLY USEFUL AT THIS JUNCTURE.

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE 1972 ANNUAL FIELD TRIP

REF: STATE 23288

BEFORE RESPONDING REFTEL WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING IF YOU FORESEE ANY CONFLICT IN DATES PROPOSED VISIT NWC AND OTHER PROPOSED VISITS AND MEETINGS.
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SUBJECT: SUGAR LOBBYISTS

REF: KAMPALA 0126

1. SUGAR LOBBYIST LAWYERS ANDREAS LOWENFELD AND ROBERT GLYNN CALLED ON FONMIN KIBEDI JAN 15 UNBEKNOWNST TO EMBASSY. MEETING WAS ARRANGED BY MANUBHAI MADHVANI, DOUBTLESS AT REQUEST LAWYERS. WHEN HE HEARD ABOUT MEETING EMBOFF SCHREIBER SOUGHT OUT LAWYERS AT HOTEL. WITH SOME PRODDING LAWYERS REVEALED THEY HAD DISCUSSED WITH KIBEDI NEED TO IMPROVE GOU-USG RELATIONS, ESPECIALLY IF GOU EXPECTED FORMER SEN SMATHERS TO BE OF CONTINUING HELP. LAWYERS STATED THEY CITED STROH/SIEDLE CASE AND EVIDENTLY GAVE THEIR VIEWS OF POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE RESOLUTIONS OF CASE. ACCORDING LAWYERS KIBEDI LIMITED HIS REMARKS TO STATEMENT THAT GOU COMMISSION OF INQUIRY CURRENTLY EXAMINING MATTER.

2. LOWENFELD LEFT UGANDA TO US JAN 15. IN ALL PROBABILITY HE WILL CONTACT WENDELL COOTE, AF/E, SHORTLY TO REPORT ON HIS VISIT HERE.

3. EMBASSY IS OF COURSE NOT AT ALL PLEASED THAT TWO LAWYERS TOOK IT UPON THEMSELVES TO CALL ON FOREIGN

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MINISTER ON THEIR OWN AND APPARENTLY TO ENGAGE IN SOME AMATEUR DIPLOMACY. EFFECT MAY NOT BE ALL BAD IF MEETING SERVED TO REINFORCE FOR GOU SIGNFICANCE AND RAMIFICATIONS OF STROH/SIEDLE CASE. AS REPORTED REFTEL, AT EARLIER MEETING OF SUGAR LOBBY GROUP WITH AMIN (WHICH WAS PRECEDED BY MEETING WITH KIBEDI) CONTROVERSIAL SUBJECTS WERE AVOIDED. AT REQUEST TWO LAWYERS, EMBASSY HAD BRIEFED THEM ON GENERAL STATE USG-GOU RELATIONS, INCLUDING NON-SENSITIVE ASPECTS STROH/SIEDLE CASE. PURPOSE WAS TO ASSIST THEM IN GIVING GUIDANCE TO SMATHERS FOR HIS MEETING WITH AMIN. WE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT THEY ADVISE SMATHERS TO ASCHEW CONTROVERSIAL SUBJECTS, AND SPECIFICALLY TO AVOID BRINGING UP STROH/SIEDLE CASE, AND THEY AGREED THAT THEY WOULD SUGGEST TO SMATHERS HE FOCUS ON WEATHER, WILD AMINALS, TOURISM, AND SUGAR QUOTA.

4. IT IS POSSIBLE LOWENFELD AND GLYNN WERE ACTING ON BEHALF OF OTHER INTERESTS IN US, MAYBE LAWYERS WORKING FOR STROH AND/OR SIEDLE FAMILIES. OUR GUESS IS THAT LAWYERS ARE CONCERNED THAT STATE OF GOU-USG RELATIONS, IF NOT IMPROVED, COULD COULD AFFECT FUTURE SUGAR QUOTAS, IN WHICH THEY HAVE A FINANCIAL STAKE, AND DECIDED THEY WOULD TRY THEIR HANDS AT IMPROVING RELATIONS. LOWENFELD, FORMER DEPARTMENT DEPUTY LEGAL ADVISOR, IS OF COURSE EXPERIENCED, WHICH MAKES IT ALL THE MORE SURPRISING THAT THEY WOULD ATTEMPT END-RUN AROUND EMBASSY.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING WHAT LOWENFELD REPORTS, IF HE CALLS AS WE ANTICIPATE HE WILL. LETTER WITH ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND FOLLOWS.
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SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

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1. DCM ADVISED MIKE DAVIES NOVEMBER 15 OF DEPARTMENT'S REACTION TO HIS INITIATIVE, STRESSING THREE POINTS: (1) USG WISHES JONES INQUIRY TO CONTINUE WITHOUT INTERVENTION OF ANY ACTION THAT MIGHT HINDER ITS COMPLETION; (2) TIMING OF ANY GOU COMPENSATION OFFER OUGHT PROPERLY TO BE AFTER OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH RELEASE OF JONES AND MILITARY COMMISSION REPORTS; (3) ANY GOU COMPENSATION OFFER SHOULD BE TRANSMITTED TO TWO FAMILIES BY UGANDAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON NOT DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

2. DAVIES EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR PROMPT RESPONSE AND SAID HE WOULD PURSUE MATTER IN LOW KEY. SAID HE HAD HAD OCCASION LAY SOME MORE GROUNDWORK NOVEMBER 14 IN LONG TALK WITH BEN KANYANGYEYO, PRESIDENT'S PRESS SECRETARY, IN WHICH HE STRONGLY HINTED THAT GOU OUGHT TO BE CONSIDERING COMPENSATION OFFER REGARDLESS OF OUTCOME OF COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY. KANYANGYEYO NOTED TO DAVIES HE HAD BEEN SURPRISED THAT AMB. FERGUSON HAD NOT RAISED STROH/SIEDLE CASE IN COURSE HIS LAST (NOV. 11) MEETING WITH PRESIDENT.

3. COMMENT: AS DCM EXPLAINED TO DAVIES, I DELIBERATELY REFRAINED FROM RAISING CASE WITH AMIN BECAUSE PRIOR TO MEETING ETIANG, ACTING FONMIN PERMSEC, HAD ASKED ME NOT TO MENTION CASE, IN VIEW OF AN INITIATIVE HIS PEOPLE HAD UNDERWAY AND WHICH THEY HOPED WOULD LEAD TO SOME RESOLUTION BY NOV. 18. FOR THIS REASON WE HAVE ASKED DAVIES TO HOLD HIS INITIATIVE IN ABEYANCE UNTIL AFTER NOV. 18.

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SO THAT IT DOESN'T GET TANGLED UP WITH WHATEVER ETIANG'S PEOPLE ARE WORKING ON. END COMMENT.

4. DAVIES SAID KANYANGYEYO EXPRESSED VIEW THAT QTE AMERICANS WANT THE BLAME PINNED ON COLONEL ALI, BUT YOU CAN BE SURE AMIN WILL NEVER, NEVER DO THAT UNQTE.

5. DAVIES ALSO SAID WE SHOULD NOT COUNT ON COMPENSATION FIGURE OF $70 THOUSAND PER FAMILY, AS THAT WAS HIS BARGAINING FIGURE WHICH HE ANTICIPATED GOU WILL WANT TO REDUCE BEFORE OFFER IS MADE. FINALLY, HE SAID HE WOULD TALK WITH HIS FRIEND JUSTICE JONES AND WOULD URGE HIM TO GET ON WITH INQUIRY.
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SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

BEGIN TEXT DRAFT. FROM H.E. THE PRESIDENT TO H. E. THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR, OR FROM THE HON. THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO H. E. THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR, AS APPROPRIATE
MY OFFICIALS AND I HAVE BEEN IN CLOSE AND CONSTANT TOUCH WITH YOURSELF AND WITH YOUR EMBASSY SINCE THE UNEXPLAINED DISAPPEARANCE OF TWO AMERICAN CITIZENS--STROH AND--SIEDLE.
IT IS NOW FOUR MONTHS SINCE THEIR LAST REPORTED APPEARANCE AT MBARARA IN ANKOLE DISTRICT OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA. OVER THAT PERIOD THEIR DISAPPEARANCE HAS ACHIEVED WIDESPREAD NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PUBLICITY.
UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, AND ALTHOUGH THE LEGAL PERIOD FOR THE PRESUMPTION OF THEIR DEATH MAY NOT HAVE PASSED IT IS WITH VERY GREAT REGRET THAT I THINK WE MUST, AS REASONABLE MEN, ASSUME THAT THEY ARE NOT NOW LIKELY TO REAPPEAR.
YOU MAY, NEVERTHELESS, BE ASSURED THAT THE OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF MY GOVERNMENT AND I WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO TRACE THEM AND TO DISCOVER THE CAUSES OF THEIR DISAPPEARANCE.
IF IT IS ESTABLISHED THAT THIS DISAPPEARANCE WAS THE RESULT OF ANY CRIMINAL ACTIVITY BY ANYONE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA, WE WILL BRING THOSE WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE TO JUSTICE.
THE WHOLE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THIS DISAPPEARANCE HAVE, AS YOU KNOW, BEEN A MATTER OF VERY CONSIDERABLE DISTRESS TO THE GOVERNMENT AND TO THE PEOPLE OF UGANDA AND TO MYSELF.
I AM PARTICULARLY CONCERNED TO LEARN THAT MR. SIEDLE'S FAMILY ESPECIALLY MAY BE UNDERGOING SOME ECONOMIC AND MATERIAL PROBLEMS ARISING FROM HIS DISAPPEARANCE. AS THE HEAD OF

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GOVERNMENT OF THE SOVEREIGN STATE OF UGANDA I MUST CONSIDER THE EFFECT OF ALL EVENTS WHICH TAKE PLACE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF UGANDA. THERE WAS, AS YOU KNOW, SOME MINOR DIFFICULTY ARISING FROM THE VARIOUS READJUSTMENTS FOLLOWING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC WHICH I HAVE THE HONOUR TO LEAD. PART OF THIS DIFFICULTY CAME FROM ATTEMPTS BY A FEW MISGUIDED INDIVIDUALS RESIDENT IN ADJOINING STATES TO AFFECT THE COURSE OF EVENTS IN UGANDA. I KNOW THAT YOU ARE WELL AWARE, AS A RESULT OF OUR VARIOUS DISCUSSIONS, OF THE COMPLEXITIES OF THAT SITUATION. THE FACT REMAINS THAT YOUR TWO CITIZENS, MR. STROH AND MR. SIEDLE, WERE LAST SEEN IN UGANDA AND ON UGANDA'S SOIL.
I HAVE ALREADY INDICATED HOW REGRETTABLE I FIND IT THAT WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO TRACE THEM SINCE. I HAVE ALREADY SAID THAT EFFORTS TO DO THIS WILL CONTINUE.
AFTER THE LAPSE OF FOUR MONTHS, HOWEVER, I AM AFRAID THAT WE MUST CONCLUDE THAT THESE TWO GENTLEMEN ARE NOT LIKELY TO REAPPEAR.
AFTER CAREFUL CONSIDERATION, THEREFORE, I MUST ONCE MORE EXPRESS MY REGRET THAT THEIR DISAPPEARANCE TOOK PLACE WITHIN UGANDA AND I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD ARRANGE ONCE MORE TO CONVEY MY SYMPATHY TO THEIR FAMILIES.
SINCE THEY WERE LAST SEEN IN UGANDA I FIND IT INCUMBENT UPON MY GOVERNMENT AND MY PEOPLE AND UPON MYSELF TO OFFER TO MAKE SOME MONETARY COMPENSATION TO THE TWO FAMILIES. I KNOW THAT THIS WILL IN NO WAY MAKE UP FOR THE ABSENCE OF THE HEADS OF THOSE FAMILIES. NEVERTHELESS I HOPE THAT IT MAY BE ACCEPTED AS AN INDICATION OF THE GOOD WILL OF OUR GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE AND OF OUR CONTINUING DESIRE TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF PERSONS, FROM WHATEVER PART OF THE WORLD, WHO ARE LAWFULLY PRESENT IN UGANDA.
I SHOULD, THEREFORE, BE MOST GRATEFUL TO YOUR EXCELLENCY IF YOU WOULD DISCOVER, AND LET ME KNOW, WHETHER THE FAMILIES OF MR. STROH AND MR. SIEDLE WOULD BE PREPARED TO ACCEPT FROM MY GOVERNMENT A SUM OF $70,000 EACH. IT IS MY SINCERE HOPE THAT THIS MAY GO SOME WAY TOWARDS ALLEVIATING ANY MATERIAL LOSS WHICH THEY MAY UNDERGO AS A RESULT OF THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE HEADS OF THEIR FAMILIES IN UGANDA. END TEXT
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EXDIS

SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

1. AT RECEPTION FOR VISITING DESK OFFICER SHINN, NOV. 8, MIKE DAVIES, PRINCIPAL OF INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, DREW DCM AND ME ASIDE TO DISCUSS STROH/SIEDLE CASE PRIVATELY. HE IS CONSIDERABLY DISTRESSED AT DAMAGE THIS INCIDENT HAS CAUSED AND IS STILL CAUSING TO US-UGANDA RELATIONS, ITS NEGATIVE EFFECT ON GOU'S IMAGE ABROAD, POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES FOR US AID PROGRAM AND OTHER ECONOMIC RELATIONS, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF UGANDA'S SERIOUS PRESENT FINANCIAL PLIGHT. DAVIES CONFIDED THAT JUSTICE JONES HAS TOLD HIM HE SEES NO HOPE THAT INVESTIGATION HE IS CONDUCTING WILL PRODUCE ANY WORTHWHILE RESULTS, AND HIS EVENTUAL REPORT WILL HAVE TO BE INCONCLUSIVE AS TO CAUSE OF DISAPPEARANCE OF TWO AMCITS. DAVIES THOUGHT SUCH A RESULT WOULD SIMPLY WORSEN AN ALREADY BAD SITUATION. I CONCURRED.

2. DAVIES INQUIRED AS TO EXACTLY WHAT USG AND FAMILIES OF AMCITS EXPECTED OF GOU. WE REPLIED THAT USG WANTED GOU TO INVESTIGATE DISAPPEARANCE TO BEST OF ITS ABILITY, TO PUBLISH FINDINGS, AND TO BRING TO JUSTICE PARTIES FOUND RESPONSIBLE UNDER UGANDAN LAWS. STROH FAMILY, WE SAID, IS MAINLY INTERESTED IN SEEING THAT GUILTY PARTIES ARE SUITABLY PUNISHED. AS FOR SIEDLE, HE LEFT THREE CHILDREN WHO HAVE LITTLE OR NO MEANS OF SUPPORT, AND WHAT THEY ARE INTERESTED IN IS MONETARY COMPENSATION FOR LOSS OF THEIR FATHER, WHO WAS THEIR SOLE SUPPORT. STROH FAMILY HAS SUBSTANTIAL MEANS AND IS PROBABLY NOT INTERESTED IN MONEY

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COMPENSATION, WE SAID. (EARLIER DISCUSSIONS WITH SHINN HAD CONFIRMED THESE IMPRESSIONS OF POSITIONS OF TWO FAMILIES.)

3. DAVIES THOUGHT IT EXTREMELY UNLIKELY THAT ANYONE WILL EVER BE PUNISHED FOR DEATHS OF TWO AMERICANS. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, HE ASKED, WHAT WAS MINIMUM ACTION THAT GOU COULD TAKE THAT WOULD HELP SATISFY USG. WOULD OFFER TO PAY MONETARY COMPENSATION TO FAMILIES HELP? WE REPLIED IT CERTAINLY WOULD HELP, EVEN THROUGH ONE OF FAMILIES MIGHT NOT ACCEPT IT. HOWEVER, IT WAS EQUALLY IMPORTANT THAT GOU ISSUE OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF SOME SORT ACCEPTING RESPONSIBILITY FOR DISAPPEARANCE OF TWO MEN IN UGANDA. IF GUILTY PARTIES COULD NOT BE PINPOINTED, WE SAID, THEN GOU WOULD ITSELF HAVE TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY. DAVIES SAID HE WOULD TRY TO THINK OF SOME COURSE OF ACTION THAT WOULD RESOLVE THIS VERY DISTURBING CASE.

4. NOVEMBER 9 DAVIES CALLED ON DCM AND GAVE HIM COPY OF DRAFT STATEMENT HE HAD PREPARED WITH IDEA THAT HE WILL TRY TO TALK PRESIDENT AMIN INTO ISSUING IT. WE ARE CABLING TEXT OF DRAFT BY EXDIS SEPTEL. DAVIES EXPLAINED THAT HIS DRAFT IS DESIGNED TO HAVE AMIN DECLARE THAT GOU ACCEPTS RESPONSIBILITY FOR DISAPPEARANCE, THAT WITH PASSAGE OF FOUR MONTHS HOPE FOR THEIR RETURN ALIVE MUST BE ABANDONED, BUT THAT INVESTIGATION WILL CONTINUE. STATEMENT ALSO REPEATS EXPRESSIONS OF REGRET TO FAMILIES AND OFFERS $70,000 COMPENSATION TO EACH FAMILY. THIS FIGURE IS OF COURSE ARBITRARY, ALTHOUGH IT AMOUNTS TO ROUGHLY ONE MILLION UGANDA SHILLINGS IN ALL. (THIS PORTION MIGHT BE BETTER PHRASED AS QTE A SUM OF THE DOLLAR EQUIVALENT OF ONE MILLION UGANDA SHILLINGS, TO BE DIVIDED EQUALLY BETWEEN THE TWO FAMILIES UNQTE.) FIGURE MAY NOT BE LARGE BY US STANDARDS BUT IN UGANDAN TERMS IT IS AN ASTRONOMICAL AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION FOR LOSS OF A LIFE. DAVIES SAID GOU CAN AFFORD IT, HE BELIEVES HE CAN TALK THEM INTO PAYING IT, AND PRICE WILL BE SMALL IF IT RESTORES GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN USG AND GOU.

5. DAVIES HAS ALREADY LAID GROUNDWORK FOR HIS INITIATIVE BY TELLING MINISTER INTERNAL AFFAIRS OBITRE-GAMA THAT SOMETHING MUST BE DONE TO SETTLE STROH/SIEDLE CASE BECAUSE AMERICAN PRESS QTE WILL NEVER GET OFF OUR BACKS UNQTE UNTIL WE DO THE RIGHT THING. DAVIES SAID HE TOLD MINISTER TWO

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INVESTIGATIVE COMMISSIONS ARE NOT GOING TO PRODUCE DESIRED RESULTS SO OTHER COURSES OF ACTION MUST BE EXAMINED. DAVIES PLANS TO FOLLOW UP WITH OBITRE-GAMA WITH HIS DRAFT STATEMENT IF REPEAT IF WE ENCOURAGE HIM TO PROCEED. HE ASKED THAT THIS PROPOSAL BE VERY CLOSELY HELD, FOR ANY LEAK WILL OF COURSE KILL IT HERE.

6. I WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING DEPARTMENT'S REACTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. I CONCUR IN DAVIES' OPINION THAT HIS DRAFT REPRESENTS THE MAXIMUM CONCESSION THAT CAN BE EXTRACTED FROM AMIN IN WAY OF HIS ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSIBILITY. COMPENSATION OFFER MIGHT WELL BE ACCEPTABLE TO SIEDLE FAMILY. DAVIES DOES NOT WANT TO PROCEED WITH HIS INITIATIVE IF USG WOULD REBUFF OFFER, FOR THAT WOULD MERELY MAKE MATTERS

WORSE. MY SUGGESTION WOULD BE THAT I BE AUTHORIZED TO TELL DAVIES WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO HIS PROCEEDING, THAT IF STATEMENT IS ISSUED IN FORM HE HAS PRESENTED, USG WOULD BE WILLING TO TRANSMIT COMPENSATION OFFER TO TWO FAMILIES, ALTHOUGH WE COULD NOT OF COURSE PREDICT WHAT THEIR REACTION WOULD BE. WE WOULD FURTHERMORE ACCEPT AMIN'S STATEMENT IN SPIRIT IN WHICH IT WAS MADE, WHILE NOTING ASSURANCES THAT INVESTIGATION WILL CONTINUE AND THAT IF THOSE RESPONSIBILE ARE FOUND THEY WILL BE BROUGHT TO JUSTICE. WHILE DAVIES' DRAFT IS ADMITTEDLY NOT ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY, IT RESPRESENTS, I AM CONVINCED, THE MAXIMUM WE CAN HOPE TO OBTAIN FROM THE GOU NOW OR IN THE FUTURE.
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EXDIS

SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

1. CALOGEROPOULOS, HONORARY GREEK CONSUL, CONFIDED TO DCM SEPT. 30 THAT HIS CLOSE FRIEND JUSTICE JONES HAS NOT YET EVEN BEGUN INVESTIGATION INTO STROH/SIEDLE DISAPPEARANCE. JONES HAS ASKED MINISTRY JUSTICE TO PROVIDE HIM SECRETARY TO ASSIST WITH CASE BUT REQUEST NOT YET ANSWERED. JONES ALSO WANTS TO BRING AN ATTORNEY FROM BRITAIN TO ASSIST WITH INVESTIGATION. ACCORDING CALOGEROPOULOS JONES IS "HONEST MAN" WHO WANTS TO DO GOOD JOB BUT IS HAVING HIS PROBLEMS. CLEAR FROM CONVERSATION THAT JONES WOULD PREFER THAT THIS ASSIGNMENT HAD GONE TO SOMEONE ELSE, HE IS RELUCTANT TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION PERSONALLY, AND HE HAS THUS FAR PRODUCED NOTHING OF VALUE TOWARD AJUDICIAL INQUEST INTO DISAPPEARANCE STROH AND DIEDLE.

2. DCM AND I RAISED MATTER SAME EVENING WITH MIKE DAVIES, PRINCIPAL INSTITUTE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, WHO, LIKE JONES, IS WELSHMAN. DAVIES CONFIRMED THAT JONES HAS BEEN MAKING HASTE SLOWLY, AND REMARKED "WHAT ELESE CAN HE DO?" DAVIES AVERRED THAT THREE MEMBERS OF CABINET--KIRONDE, KIBEDI, AND MUGERWA--HAVE BEEN ADVISING AMIN ON HANDLING OF THIS CASE ON BASIS THEIR PRESUMED UNDERSTANDING OF "AMERICAN MENTALITY." KIRONDE'S ADVICE HAS BEEN TO DRAG THINGS OUT SO LONG THAT AMERICANS WILL FORGET ABOUT IT. OPPOSITE ADVICE HAS COME FROM KIBEDI, WHO HAS BEEN PRESSING FOR ACTION, AND MUGERWA HAS BEEN CAUGHT IN MIDDLE. I STRESSED TO DAVIES THAT USG AND FAMILIES OF AMCITS ARE NOT ABOUT TO FORGET ABOUT CASE, AND THE LONGER A RESOLUTION IS DELAYED THE WORSE IT IS LIKELY

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TO BE. I SUGGESTED IT MIGHT HELP MATTERS IF GOU PUBLISHED REPORT OF MILITARY COMMISSION OF INQUIRY IN INTERIM. DAVIES SAID THIS WOULD DO ABSOLUTELY NO GOOD, FOR MILITARY COMMISSION'S REPORT IS NOTHING BUT "A STRING OF NAMES" OF PEOPLE COMMISSION TALKED WITH. I URGED DAVIES TO TRY TO CONVICE HIS CONTACTS IN GOU THAT DELAYING TACTICS ARE A MISTAKE AND THEY SHOULD GET ON WITH JUDICIAL INQUIRY POSTHASTE. HE PROMISED TO DO WHAT HE COULD.

3. BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL AT THIS JUNCTURE IF DEPARTMENT WOULD CALL IN AMBASSADOR RAMATHAN EARLY NEXT WEEK TO SEE SOMEONE AT SUFFICIENTLY HIGH LEVEL TO IMPRESS HIM WITH GRAVITY OF SITUATION. IT COULD BE RECALLED TO HIM THAT NEARLY THREE MONTHS HAVE NOW PASSED SINCE DISAPPEARANCE OF TWO AMCITS. FURTHERMORE, NEARLY TWO MONTHS HAVE PLASSED SINCE WE HANDED GOU NOTE OF PROTEST (AUGUST 11) TO WHICH FONMIN REPLIED (LETTER OF AUG. 12) WITH ASSURANCES THAT "INQUIRY IS GOING AHEAD WITH ITS WORK." (SEE KAMPALA 2806). TO DATE GOU HAS ISSUED ABSOLUTELY NO OFFICIAL STATEMENT ON RESULTS OF INQUIRY AND WE REMAIN COMPLETELY IN DARK AS TO GOU'S OPINION ON PROBABLE CAUSE OF DISAPPEARANCE OF TWO AMCITS. SUGGEST RAMATHAN BE TOLD THAT RATHER THAN HAD OVER ANOTHER NOTE OF PROTEST WE WISH MERELY TO INQUIRE WHEN WE MAY EXPECT SOME SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE FROM GOU. HE COULD BE TOLD THAT WE ARE IN MEANTIME PREPARING OUR OWN "WHITE PAPER" ON THIS CASE WHICH WE PROPOSE TO PUBLISH IF GOU IS UNABLE TO COME UP WITH ITS OWN REPORT ON CASE. WHILE OUR "WHITE PAPER" WOULD BE BASED LARGELY ON SECOND-HAND, ANONYMOUS AND HEARSAY EVIDENCE WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO PUT BEFORE PUBLIC MOST REASONABLE ACCOUNT AVAILABLE TO US, SINCE WE CANNOT CARRY OUT OUR OWN INVESTIGATION SOVEREIGN TERRITORY OF UGANDA.

4. I ALSO RECOMMEND THAT EMBASSY NOW PROCEED TO DRAW UP "WHITE PAPER" BASED ON ALL MATERIAL WHICH HAS COME OUR WAY ABOUT THIS CASE, PROTECTING IDENTITIES OF THOSE SUCH AS WHITE FATHER AND UGANDAN JOURNALIST WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED INFO TO US. "WHITE PAPER" WOULD BE HELD FOR USE IN CONTINGENCY THAT GOU FAILS TO PUBLISH ITS OWN REPORT OR, ALTERNATIVEL, THAT IT PUBLISHES REPORT WHICH IS QUITE UNSATISFACTORY (I BELIEVE LATTER IS MORE LIKELY CONTINGENCY, ALTHOUGH GOU MAY CONTINUE TO STALL EVEN IN FACE OF THREAT OF PUBLICATION OF OUR "WHITE PAPER"). FERGUSON

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SUBJECT: STROH/SIDELE CASE

1. HONORARY GREEK CONSUL NICK CALOGEROPOULOS (PROTECT) TOLD ME SEPT 4 THAT HIS FRIEND JEFF JONES, SENIOR UGANDAN JUDGE AFTER ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE KIWANUKA, HAS BEEN ASSIGNED BY PRESIDENT AMIN TO CONDUCT JUDICIAL INQUIRY INTO DISAPPEARANCE OF TWO AMCITS AT MBARARA. ACCORDING CALOGEROPOULOS, IN EXPLAINING TO JONES NEED FOR INQUIRY AMIN MENTIONED VERY BAD PRESS UGANDA HAS BEEN RECEIVING IN US AS RESULT THIS CASE.

2. BIO DATA ON DAVID JEFFERIES JONES: BORN 1909 IN WALES, BARRISTER MIDDLE TEMPLE 1933, PRACTICED IN ENGLAND AND WALES, WAS LEGAL ASSITANT WITH CONTROL COMMISSION IN GERMANY (1946-48) AND LEGAL ADVISER TO COMMISSIONER OF HAMBURG (1948-50). HAS SERVED IN UGANDA SINCE 1950. RESIDENT MAGISTRATE 1950-55, SENIOR RESIDENT MAGISTRATE, ACTING ASSISTANT JUDICIAL ADVISER AND CHAIRMAN TRAFFIC APPEAL TRIBUNAL 1955-60, JUSTICE OF UGANDA HIGH COURT 1960-71 ACCORDING TO HIS FRIENDS JONES HAS REPUTATION FOR JUDICIAL RECTITUDE WHICH WAS SOMEWHAT TARNISHED IN EARLIER DAYS BY A LACK OF SOBRIETY (BUT THEY SAY HE IS NO LONGER A HEAVY DRINKER).

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3. COMMENT: CALOGEROPOULOS' REPORT IS GOOD NEWS IN SENSE THAT A JUDICIAL INQUIRY IS MORE LIKELY TO PRODUCE A SATISFACTORY FINDING THAN COULD LARGELY MILITARY COMMISSION OF INQUIRY. ON OTHER HAND IT PROBABLY MEANS THAT COMMISSION'S REPORT WAS DEEMED UNSATISFACTORY BY AMIN, WHO THEREUPON DECIDED HE WOULD HAVE TO TURN CASE OVER TO A JUDGE FOR INVESTIGATION. BELIEVE JONES WILL BE GOING TO MBARARA TO CONDUCT PERSONAL INVESTIGATION ON SPOT, WHICH HOPEFULLY WILL TURN UP THE FACTS.

4. COMMENT CONTINUED: TROUBLE ON BORDER WITH TANZANIA MAY PARTIALLY EXPLAIN AMIN'S DECISION TO POSTPONE HIS VISIT TO UNGA AND US ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR LATER THIS MONTH (KAMPALA 3120). TWO ADDITIONAL POSSIBLE EXPLANATIONS, HOWEVER, COME TO MIND: (A) HIS REALIZATION THAT IN ABSENCE OF A SATISFACTORY RESOLUTION OF STROH/SIEDLE CASE PRIOR TO HIS ARRIVAL NEW YORK HE WOULD FACE A VERY HOTILE US PRESS AND A LESS THAN WELCOMING US GOVERNMENT; (B) DISAPPOINTMENT THAT A MEETING WITH PRESIDENT NIXON COULD NOT BE ARRANGED. IF MY GUESS IS CORRECT, WE MAY ANTICIPATE THAT AMIN WILL WANT TO PUT HIS US TOUR BACK ON TRACKS AS SOON AS (AND IF) JONES PRODUCES A SATISFACTORY REPORT ON STROH/SIEDLE CASE. AND IN THAT CONNECTION AMIN MAY THEN TAKE AT FACE VALUE OUR EXPLANATION THAT "PRESIDENT'S FULL SCHEDULE AT TIME OF UNGA REGRETFULLY DOES NOT PERMIT TIME FOR MEETING ON THIS OCCASION" (STATE 158988 EXDIS). WE SHOULD THEREFORE GIRD OURSELVES FOR A RENEWED REQUEST FROM AMIN FOR A MEETING WITH PRESIDENT NIXON "AT ANY SUCH TIME AS HIS SCHEDULE WILL PERMIT."
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EXDIS

REF: STATE 158988

SUBJECT: HIGH LEVEL ATTENDANCE AT UNGA

1. TO PRECLUDE ANY FUTURE MISUNDERSTANDING HAVE ADDRESSED LETTEG TO FOREIGN MINISTER KIBEDI GIVING NEGATIVE ANSWER ON MEETING WITH PRES. NIXON AS PHRASED PARA ONE REFTEL AS WELL AS PROPOSAL FOR MEETING IN NEW YORK WITH SECRETARY ROGERS. HAVE DELIVERED LETTER PERSONALLY TO FON MIN PERM SEC BAINGANA IN ORDER TOUCH ALL BASES. REEMPHASIZED TO HIM THAT PRES. AMIN'S US VISIT WOULD BE PRIVATE AND UNOFFICIAL.

2. WOULD HOPE WE COULD WORK UP PROGRAM FOR A FULL WEEK'S TOURISM IN US AND PROPOSE IT TO GENERAL FAIRLY SOON. HE IS APPARENTLY FULLY AMENABLE TO OUR SUGGESTIONS, AND IN FACT WON'T KNOW WHAT HE WANTS TO SEE UNTIL WE TELL HIM WHAT HE OUGHT TO SEE. WEST POINT AND CAPE KENNEDY SOUND FINE. AGREE ON INADVISABILITY OF INCLUSION US MILITARY INSTALLATION, UNLESS HE COULD BE SHOWN SOME EXERCISE THAT EMPHASIZED TRAINING AND DISCIPLINE WHILE DE-EMPHASIZING FIREPOWER AND HARDWARE, ESPECIALLY AIRCRAFT. MARINE CORPS SUNSET PARADE WOULD BE IDEAL. ONE OF AMIN'S MAJOR PROBLEMS IS LOW LEVEL OF TRAINING AND DISCIPLINE IN HIS OFFICER CORPS, AND HE IS OF COURSE LIFETIME PROFESSIONAL MILITARY MAN, EVEN THOUGH HE IS BEHAVING MORE AND MORE LIKE A POLITICIAN. THESE

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DAYS. AGREE NINETY-FIVE PERCENT OF HIS PROGRAM SHOULD BE CIVILIAN AND TOURISTIC.
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SUBJECT: HIGH LEVEL ATTENDANCE AT UNGA

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1. PRES AMIN HAS AGAIN RAISED WITH EMBASSY HIS DESIRE FOR A MEETING WITH PRESIDENT IN CONNECTION HIS TRIP TO US TO ATTEND UNGA. AMIN WILL ARRIVE NEW YORK SEPT 20 FOLLOWING A STATE VISIT TO FRANCE SEPT 17-18, DURING WHICH HE HAS CONFIRMED APPOINTMENT WITH POMPIDOU.

2. EMBASSY HAS OF COURSE NOT ENCOURAGED GENERAL'S EXPECTATIONS OF MEETING WITH PRES. TO DELAY A DEFINITE RESPONSE TO HIS INSISTENT REQUESTS ONE WAY OR THE OTHER WOULD ADD FURTHER FRICTION TO ALREADY ABRASIVE RELATIONS FROM OTHER (E.G. STROH/SIEDLE CASE) AND MAKE MORE ACUTE INEVITABLE FUTURE PROBLEMS WHICH WILL ARISE FROM FACT THAT HE WILL HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY HEADS OF STATE IN ISRAEL, UK AND FRANCE. RECOMMEND THAT EMBASSY BE INSTRUCTED TO RESPOND IN NEGATIVE IF SUCH IS DEPT POSITION, RATHER THAN TO KEEP HIS HOPES ALIVE WITH STATEMENT ABOUT IMPOSSIBILITY OF MAKING COMMITMENT SO FAR IN ADVANCE (PARA 1 REF B).

3. IF DEPT CONCURS, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO OFFER AMIN ALTERNATIVE OF A MEETING WITH SECRETARY ROGERS AT UNGA.

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AS RECOMMENDED PARA 3, REF A. IN ADDITION SHORT VISIT MILITARY INSTALLATION, E.G. PARATROOP SCHOOL FORT BENNING WOULD DOUBTLESS BE WELCOMED BY THE GEN. GP-3.
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YAOUNDE FOR AMB FERGUSON

SUBJECT: AMIN TRAVEL

1. DURING CONVERSATION WITH CONSULAR OFF YESTERDAY GEN AMIN AGAIN REFERRED TO HIS DESIRE TO VISIT US AND SAID HE HAD WRITTEN LETTER TO PRES NIXON ON THIS SUBJECT. FYI CHARGE HAS APPOINTMENT WITH FONAFFS PERMSEC TUESDAY (MONDAY IS HOLIDAY) TO TRY AND OBTAIN COPY OF LETTER END FYI. AMIN STATED HE HAS INDICATED HIS DESIRE TO COME IN MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, PRESUMABLY TO BE PRESENT DURING OPENING DAYS GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

2. AMB FERGUSON WILL RECALL HE AND MINPLNG KIRONDE, WHO BROUGHT UP WHOLE MATTER SOME WEEKS AGO, DISCUSSED PROPOSED VISIT AT QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY RECEPTION WHEN AMB STRESSED TO KIRONDE GREAT IMPORTANCE OF HAVING PRECISE DATES TO PROPOSE. WE WILL TAKE OPPORTUNITY, IF POSSIBLE, TO IMPRESS UPON AMIN NEED FOR EXACT DATES.

3. IN MEANWHILE, IT CONTINUES BE OBVIOUS TO US GEN IS EXTREMELY ANXIOUS TO MAKE THIS VISIT. WE BELIEVE HE WOULD BE FAIRLY COMPLIANT AND EASY TO HANDLE ONCE IN STATES. HE HAS INDICATED IN PAST HIS DESIRE TO VISIT US MILITARY BASES, PARTICULARLY TRAINING BASES SUCH AS FORT BRAGG AND BENNING. GP-3.
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SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES OF OBOTE

1. MIKE DAVIS WHO AS ADDEES MAY BE AWARE IS VERY MUCH MEMBER OF INNER CIRCLE NEW GOVERNMENT ALTHOUGH AN EXPAT ASKED DCM COME BY FOR COFFEE AND TALK FRIDAY MORNING. CALL WAS RATHER URGENT AND DAVIS ALMOST AT ONCE CAME TO POINT. HE AND GOU CONCERNED WHEREABOUTS AND ACTIVITIES OF OBOTE. DAVIS IN HIS WORDS, "HAD A MAN IN DAR TEN DAYS AGO" WHO WAS REPORTING ON OBOTE. NOW THIS MAN CAN COME UP WITH NO RPT NO INFORMATION ON EX PRES. INTER ALIA DAVIS AND GOU NOT SURE RE-MARRIAGE STORY IS TRUE. DAVIS PUT REQUEST QUITE OPENLY THAT GOU AT HIGHEST LEVELS WOULD BE DEEPLY THANKFUL IF WE COULD PROVIDE ANY INFO ON WHEREABOUTS OBOTE. HE STRESSED CONCERN AND UNDERLYING FEAR OBOTE MAY BE UP TO NO GOOD; HE HAS REPORT ALTHOUGH NOT FIRM ONE OBOTE HAD BEEN THINKING OF TRYING GO GUINEA.

2. WE BELIEVE DAVIS' REQUEST DOES INDEED COME FROM VERY HIGH UP AND ANYTHING WE CAN DO ASSIST WILL BE MUCH APPRECIATED INDEED. DAVIS IN PAST HAS BEEN PRIVATE CHANNEL FOR INFO GOING TO AND COMING FROM AMIN GOVT AND WE FEEL HE IS RELIABLE.

3. DO HOPE EMBASSY DAR OR OTHERS WILL BE ABLE PROVIDE SOMETHING WHICH WE CAN PASS ALONG.
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SUBJECT: KABAKA'S FUNERAL

REF: KAMPALA'S 1023

1. I WAS SUMMONED TO EARLY MORNING MEETING WITH FONAFFS OFFICIALS ON SUBJECT OF KABAKA'S FUNERAL. UNDER SECRETARY EXPLAINED THAT CLEARLY GOU HAD NO EXPECTATIONS THAT NON-AFRICAN CHIEFS OF STATE WOULD ATTEND KABAKA'S FUNERAL. HE INDICATED THAT INVITATIONS EXTENDED TO ALL HEADS OF STATE HAVING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH GOU AS A MATTER OF COURTESY AND SENSITIVITY SINCE KABAKA WAS FIRST PRESIDENT OF UGANDA. STRESSED THAT PROPER CONDUCT OF FUNERAL OBVIOUSLY VERY IMPORTANT TO UGANDA. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT PRESIDENT WOULD MAKE DESIGNATION OF DELEGATION AND/OR OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES FOR FUNERAL. I EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR INFO.

2. I TRUST THAT SOME KIND OF RESPONSE WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN CONNECTION WITH KABAKA'S FUNERAL. OBVIOUSLY OPTIONS RUN FROM DESIGNATION OF ME AS QTE REPRESENTATIVE UNQTE UP THROUGH NAMING OF DELEGATION. QUESTION OF RESPONSE BY OURSELVES, UK, KENYA, CONGO AND NIGERIA OBVIOUSLY LOOMS VERY LARGE IN GOU'S THINKING. MOREOVER, GIVEN THE EXTRAORDINARY IMPORTANCE OF KABAKA'S BODY RETURN IN THE POLITICAL ENVIRONMENT THE EXTREME SENSITIVITY OF GOU OFFICIALS ON MATTER, I BELIEVE THIS ISSUE RANKS IN IMPORTANCE WITH THAT OF QTE RECOGNITION.UNQTE. GP-3.
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SUBJECT: ISRAELI ACTIVITY

1. ISRAELI AMBASSADOR OFRI CALLED ON AMBASSADOR AND DCM AT HIS REQUEST URGENTLY AFTERNOON, MARCH 3. HIS FISHING APPARATUS WAS OBVIOUS ALTHOUGH HE HAD LITTLE BAIT TO OFFER. HIS GREAT INTEREST CONTINUES BE US RESPONSE TO AMIN REQUEST FOR ARMS, AND ABOVE ALL SKYHAWKS. ISRAELI'S ARE AWARE IMMENSE FINANCIAL, TECHNICAL AND EDUCATIONAL PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN SKYHAWK PROBLEM AND THEY MUST EQUALLY REALIZE NEAR IMPOSSIBILITY OF EQUIPPING UGANDA AIR FORCE WITH THIS ADVANCED AIRCRAFT. CONSEQUENTLY, IT SEEMS TO US THEY ARE NOW ATTEMPTING DIVERT AMIN FROM THIS GOAL AND TO CONVINCE HIM PRESENTLY AVAILABLE AIRCRAFT -- FUGAS, IN PARTICULAR -- CAN WITH EXTRA EQUIPMENT ANSWER GOU AIRCRAFT NEEDS.

2. LATEST BRAINSTORM IN ISRAELI EMBASSY IS TO ATTEMPT PERSUADE AMIN SETTLE FOR PERHAPS FOUR MODERN, FULLY EQUIPPED AIRSTRIRS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. THESE, IN ADDITION TO ALREADY EXISTING ENTEBBE AND GULU FACILITIES, WOULD ALLOW FUGAS TO GIVE COMPLETE AIR COVER TO UGANDA. ISRAELI AMBASSADOR INQUIRED IF USG MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN FINANCING SUCH CONSTRUCTION. AMBASSADOR REPLIED QUITE FIRMLY WE WOULD NOT.

3. THROUGHOUT CONVERSATION TWO STRONG POINTS EMERGED: (I) ISRAELI'S ARE UNQUESTIONABLY EXTREMELY CLOSE TO AMIN AND HIS GOVERNMENT AND ARE CERTAINLY PROVIDING DAY TO DAY

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GUIDELINES AND HELP: (2) CLOSENESS OF ISRAELIS TO AMIN HAS DISADVANTAGES AS WELL. AMIN FEELS ISRAELIS CAN PRODUCE AND IT IS APPARENT HE IS LEANING ON THAT GOVERNMENT FAIRLY HARD AND IT IS ALSO APPARENT ISRAELIS FINDING PRESSURE VERY DIFFICULT TO COPE WITH. CONTINUING REQUESTS FROM AMIN TO ISRAELIS MAY END UP PUTTING THEM IN VERY TIGHT CORNER OUT OF WHICH THEY HAVE DIFFICULTY IN COMING. OFRI HAS NOT OPENLY COMMENTED ON THIS PROBLEM BUT IT SEEMS QUITE OBVIOUS HE IS WORRIED ABOUT IT. GP-1.
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SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS-ARMED AND UNARMED

1. F. W. WILCOX (BEWL REP NAIROBI) CALLED ON ME TO DISCUSS IN GENERAL THE STATE OF PLAY BETWEEN GOU, ISRAEL AND BELL REGARDING SALE OF HELICOPTERS TO GOU.

2. WILCOX STATES THWT AS GENERAL PROPOSITION GOU COMPLETELY SOLD ON NECESSITY TO PURCHASE HELICOPTERS. TWO CLASSES ARE INVOLVED, I.E. ARMED HELICOPTERS AND UNARMED HELICOPTERS. WILCOX ASKED ABOUT US RESOURCES, ATTITUDES, FINANCING, ETC. I REPLIED GENERAL STATEMENT THAT AS I UNDERSTAND PRESENT POLICY, AS APPLIED IN UGANDA, EXPORT AND FINANCING ARMED HELICOPTERS WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE.

3. WILCOX INQUIRED AS TO POSSIBILITIES SALE UNARMED HELICOPTERS TO POLICE FORCE PRINCIPALLY FOR USE AS MAN LIFT. MY RESPONSE WAS THAT WOULD DEPEND ON EXACT PROPOSITION WHICH GOU AND BELL ARRIVED AT.

4. ISRAELIS PRESENT COMPLICATING FACTOR AS THEY HAVE SOLD GOU ON NOTION THAT ALL HELICOPTERS ACQUISITION SHOULD BE THROUGH ISRAEL (THIS IN FACE OF FRENCH COMPETITION ON ALLOUETTES AND NOW APPARENT ITALIAN COMPETITION ON ANY HELICOPTERS GOU DESIRE ARMED OR UNARMED.)

5. WOULD APPRECIATE ASAP DEPT GUIDANCE AS TO FOLLOWING

QUESTIONS: (A) WHAT IS PRECISE USG ARMS POLICY AS APPLIED TO UGANDA? (B) IS EX-IM BANK FINANCING AVAILABLE FOR

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STRICTLY CIVILIAN UNARMED, UNMODIFIED HELICOPTERS FOR POLICE? (C) WHAT IS USG POLICY RE SALE UNARMED HELICOPTERS TO THIRD COUNTRY WHERE SUCH UNARMED HELICOPTERS MIGHT BE ARMED FOR SALE TO FOURTH COUNTRY? GP-3.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 251

ATHENS PLEASE LOCATE AMB FERGUSON AND PASS TO HIM

SUBJ: CURRENT SITUATION

1) AS OF 2000 HRS LOCAL, CURFEW APPEARS BE FIRMLY IN EFFECT, RADIO UGANDA PLAYING LIGHT AIRS, INCLUDING FIFTH RENDITION IN PAST HALF HOUR OF YES WE HAVE NO BANANAS. STREETS ARE EMPTY ALTHOUGH THERE IS STILL AN OCCASIONAL SHOT TO BE HEARD. MOBS DID NOT IMPRESS ME THIS AFTERNOON AT 1800 HRS AS BEING PARTICULARLY JOYFUL OR ENTHUSIASTIC. IN DISTRICT OF MAKINDYE HILL WHERE BAGANDA SENTIMENTS ARE STRONG, MASS OF PEOPLE WERE DANCING AND SHOUTING PRO KABAKA SLOGAN.

2) AS WE APPROACH DEADLINE FOR RETURN OF OBOTE, (2245) HRS LOCAL) FEELING OF TENSION BUILDING. OUR ESTIMATE IS AMIN HAS NOT GOTTEN FULL CONTROL ALTHOUGH HE PROBABLY DOES HAVE INITIATIVE WHICH IS MAJOR ASSET. OBOTE MAY WELL PULL SOME RABBIT

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OUT OF HAT USING STRONG POLITICAL GUILE WHICH HAS STOOD HIM SO WELL IN PAST. JUST WHAT HE CAN DO IS SOMETHING WE NOT AWARE OF. AIRPORT APPEARS BE FULLY IN AMIN FOLLOWERS HANDS AND WHILE DAMAGE THERE SERIOUS, IT IS NOT AS BAD AS EARLY REPORTS INDICATED. IF OBOTE TRIES COME BACK TO ENTEBBE, HE WILL FACE HOT RECEPTION INDEED. IF HE STAYS IN NAIROBI, HE WILL CONTINUE LOSS ANY MOMENTUM HE MAY YET CONTROL. HE MIGHT TRY SLIP INTO COUNTRY AND HEAD FOR GROUND IN HIS HOME DISTRICT LANGO, ALTHOUGH HE NOT TOTALLY POPULAR EVEN THERE.

3) PLANS ONAMA MAY HAVE REMAIN CONFUSED. STATE 12411 JUST RECEIVED AND I AGREE THAT PRESENT CONFUSED STATE OF AFFAIRS WOULD NOT BE IMPROVED BY MEASURES I SUGGESTED EARLIER. ASTLES HAS TOLD ME TWICE AMIN IS QTE RELIABLE UNQTE AND ONCE THAT ONAMA WAS QTE HAPPY UNQTE AT EVENTS. THIS SUGGESTS AMIN ONAMA TIE UP AND PRESENCE MINISTER IN NORTH MAY INDICATE HE THERE AS AMIN'S REPRESENTATIVE. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING HE WENT LATE LAST NIGHT. WE HAVE NOT HEARD FROM ASTLES OR ONAMA SINCE 1600 HRS AND ARE OBVIOUSLY NOT CALLING THEM.

4) AS FAR AS I CAN ASCERTAIN AMCITS HERE CONTINUE WELL ALTHOUGH TOURISTS ARE BIT CONFUSED. I DOUBT THEY WILL MOVE TOMORROW; RESIDENT AMERICANS SEEM IN GOOD SHAPE. I HAVE CHECKED JUST NOW WITH PC, AID AND USIS AND ALL SEEM WELL; ALSO I HAVE DETAILED TWO EMBOFF TO MAKE PERSONAL PHONE CONTACTS WITH AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE TO REASSURE THEM AND
CURFEW SERIOUS NOT TO BE JOKED WITH AND THAT THERE NEITHER SCHOOL NOR WORK TOMORROW.

5) I DO NOT PROPOSE HAVE ANY DEALINGS WITH NEW ADMINISTRATION UNTIL THINGS SORT OUT A BIT; THERE IS, PVJMOLJBVYGUVFGKHYZVEUCT THEM IN MATTER OF TOURISTS WANTING DEPART COUNTRY. PROBABLY CAN HANDLE THIS, HOWEVER, THRU TOURIST OFFICES.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 249

SUBJ: GENERAL AMIN ATTEMPTS TAKE CHARGE

1. AT ABOUT 1515 LOCAL, RADIO UGANDA WHICH HAS BEEN BROADCASTING SPORADICALLY ALL DAY WAS INTERRUPTED BY ANNOUNCEMENT THAT MILITARY COALITION HEADED BY GENERAL AMIN AND WITH FULL BACKING AND SUPPORT OF INSPECTOR GENERAL POLICE OREYMA HAD TAKEN OVER GOVERNMENT. INITIAL SPEECHES WERE VAGUE AND STRESSED ANTI-LANGO, ANTI-OBOTE FEELINGS. ALSO CRITICIZED DETENTIONS, STATE OF EMERGENCY, ECONOMIC DECLINE AND LONG RUN OF COMPLAINTS AGAINST OLD GOVERNMENT. CLAIMED NATIONAL SERVICE AND CORRUPTION WILL BE ENDED, AKENA ADOKO'S PRIVATE ARMY WILL BE BROKEN UP, ETC., ETC. FOREIGN COUNTRIES WARNED NOT TO INTERFERE. EIGHTY MILE FORBIDDEN ZONE IN AIRSPACE AROUND ENTEBBE AND 1900 TO 0630 CURFEW ANNOUNCED.

2. FEW MINUTES LATER, BOTH AMIN AND ORYEMA APPEARED ON RADIO PROMISED CO-OPERATION, WITH AMIN AS LEADER. GENERAL GAVE SHORT SPEECH PRAISING CIVILIAN RULE AND PROMISING RETURN THERETO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. STREETS NOW STARTING TO FILL UP WITH PEOPLE, CARS RUSHING UP AND DOWN
AND GENERAL, APPARENTLY, JOYOUSNESS IN AIR WHICH PROBABLY RELEASE FROM TENSION OF PAST HOURS AS MUCH AS AWARENESS POLOTICAL IMPLICATIONS. NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS PROMISED.

3. WE CANNOT PROVIDE MUCH ANALYSIS RIGHT NOW EXCEPT TO ASSUME THIS IS MOVE FROM CONSERVATIVE, RIGHTEST ELEMENTS HERE. OPPOSITION TO ACT HAS NOT HAD TIME TO COALESCE; IT WIDELY HELD OBOTE WILL BE RETURNING TONIGHT AT ABOUT 2245 LOCAL. THIS, IF TRUE, MAY BE SIGNAL FOR HIS SUPPORTERS TO MOVE AND THERE EXISTS POSSIBILITY OF SERIOUS TROUBLE.
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1. SPORADIC GUNFIRE KAMPALA STARTING APPROX 0300 HOURS LOCAL 25 JAN CULMINATED IN ANNOUNCEMENT RADIO UGANDA 1010 HOURS THAT PRESIDENT OBOTE OUSTED AS LEADER UGANDA. NEW LEADER TO BE MAJOR GENERAL AMIN.

2. NEW REGIME HAS WARNED AGAINST FOREIGN INTERVENTION, AND THERE BREAKDOWN IN ADMIN OF AVIATION AFFAIRS WITH ARMY TAKING OVER ENTEBBE AIRPORT AND RENDERING CONTROL TOWER INOPERABLE.

3. IN CIRCUMSTANCES BELIEVE IT IMPERATIVE THAT REF FLIGHT NOT REPEAT NOT OVERFLY UGANDA AS SCHEDULED.

4. WILL ADVISE AS SITUATION STABILIZES, BUT CANNOT OFFER ANY EARLY HOPE.
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PLS PASS AMBASSADOR FERGUSON FROM CHARGE

1. ENTEBBE AIRPORT CLOSED AND HAS BEEN SCENE SOME FIGHTING. WE UNDERSTAND AT LEAST ONE DEATH OCCURED. DO NOT RECOMMEND RIGHT NOW ATTEMPT REACH HERE BY LAND FROM NAIROBI. WILL HAVE CLEARER IMPRESSIONS BY TOMORROW BUT RIGHT NOW FEEL YOU SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT RE-ENTER UGANDA. GIRLS WELL AND HAVE BEEN WITH US ALL THE TIME; ABSOLUTELY NO NEED FOR CONCERN THAT POINT. I HAVE CLEAR IMPRESSION ALL MEMBERS AMERICAN COMMUNITY HERE IN GOOD SHAPE.
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SUBJ: INDIAN OCEAN PROLEM

1) FACT UGANDA LANDLOCKED WILL HAVE LITTLE TO DO WITH REACTION HERE WHICH WE PREDICT MAY BE STRONG AND BITTER. WE STRONGLY AGREE WITH OUR COLLEAGUE WHO SUGGESTS NATIONS MAY TIE INDIAN OCEAN FACILITIES WITH UK ARMS DEAL TO SOUTH AFRICA. THIS MATTER TAKING ON INCREASING SIGNIFICANCE HERE AND IDEA BRITISH ARMS WILL BE FOR DEFENSE INDIAN OCEAN WIDELY DISCUSSED AND TO GREATER PART DERIDED. SO FAR, U.S. HAS ESCAPED INVOLVEMENT IN IMMEDIATE SOUTH AFRICAN ISSUES BUT NEWSOM/CARTER TRIP AS WE HAVE REPORTED HAS ATTRACTED SOME UNFAVORABLE COMMENT IN LOCAL PRESS.

2) DIFFICULTY AS WE SEE IT IS GOU AND UGANDANS WHO ARE CONCERNED WILL BE UNABLE SEE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN "AUSTERE FACILITY" AS ENVISIONED FOR DIEGO GARCIA AND MAJOR MILITARY BASE. THESE SUBTLETIES ESCAPE UGANDAN MIND.

3) MANY PEOPLE HERE ALREADY DEEPLY SUSICIOUS OF NATO WHICH THEY FEEL AT BEHEST OF PORTUGUESE IS ATTEMPTING THWART OR OVERTHROW "PROGRESSIVE" AFRICAN NATIONS. ESTABLISHMENT DIEGO GARCIA WILL ADD FUEL TO THIS FIRE AND WILL INCREASE IDEA THAT WESTERN NATIONS ARE COMBINING AGAINST BLACK AFRICA AND SUPPORTING SA. NEEDLESS TO SAY, SOVIET MISSION HERE AND WE ASSUME ELSEWHERE IS BUSILY TELLING ALL WHO ARE TO LISTEN THESE SUSPICIONS ARE CORRECT.

4) PLEASE PASS OTHER AF POSTS AS DESIRED.
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SUBJECT: KIDNAPPING THREAT - AMBASSADOR
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1) AT 2130 TODAY HRS APPROX. AMBASSADOR ENTERED RESIDENCE AND HEARD PHONE RINGING. HE ANSWERED AND VOICE, PROBABLY AFRICAN, SAID, IN EFFECT, YOU BETTER GET READY. YOU'RE GOING TO BE KIDNAPPED" AMB. ASKED WHO CALLING: CALLER HUNG UP. APPROX. 2 MINS. LATER PHONE RANG AGAIN. SAME VOICE SAID " YOU ARE GOING TO GET KILLED AND YOUR KIDS ARE GOING TO GET KILLED WITHIN A DAY UNLESS POLITICAL PRISONERS ARE RELEASED." AMB. AGAIN ASKED IDENTITY, CALLER AGAIN HUNG UP.

2) AMB. CONTACTED DCM WHO CAME RESIDENCE. POL OFF ROCHE ALSO CONTACTED AND CAME TO RESIDENCE. PSO WAS ALERTED, HE CALLED LOCAL SECURITY GUARD SERVICE TO AUGMENT SECURITY GUARDS. DCM PROCEEDED UGANDA CLUB AND TRIED DUSCUSS WITH FONMIN ODAKA, WHO UNDER INFLUENCE AND TOTALLY UNCOOPERATIVE, WHEN ASKED TO DISCUSS MATTER PRIVATELY, HE BEGAN TALK IN LOUD VOICE SO MANY PEOPLE IN ROOM COULD HEAR ODAKA COMPLAINED AND REFUSED ACCEPT ANY RESPONSIBILITY.

3) DCM RETURNED AT ABOUT 2215. SECURITY GUARDS IN POSITION. POLICE WERE ADVISED AND AT 2310 CID CHIEF HASSAN RETURNED CALL. OFFERED CO-OPERATION. SAID POLICE UGARD WOULD BE POSTED AND SQUAD CAR WOULD PATROL AREA.

SERVANTS AT RESIDENCE REPORT CALL AT 1730 HRS. MALE VOICE ASKING IF AMBASSADOR AT HOME. WHEN TOLD NO, SAID HE WOULD CALL AGAIN.

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4. CHILDREN ARE OK. EMBOFF WILL REMAIN IN RESIDENCE TONIGHT. CHANCES ARE HIGHLY LIKELY THIS IS HOAX BUT WE OBVIOUSLY NOT PREPARED TAKE CHANCE. ODAKA REACTION UNPLEASANT AND MAY WELL CREATE DIFFICULTIES FOR US LATER. FERGUSON

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SUBJ: ASYLUM

REF: KAMPALA 3567

1. DEPT FEELS YOU HANDLED OCORA REQUEST FOR ASYLUM CORRECTLY. WE CONCUR FULLY WITH YOUR ASSESSMENT THAT ABNORMAL CONDITIONS IN UGANDA AT PRESENT TIME, AS DESCRIBED REFTEL, MAKE IT VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO APPLY NECESSARILY GENERAL BASIC GUIDANCE AND INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING ASYLUM. UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES EMBASSY IS OBVIOUSLY NOT IN POSITION TO INTERCEDE EFFECTIVELY WITH GOU IN BEHALF OF UGANDAN CITIZENS SEEKING ASYLUM. INEVITABLE RESULT WOULD BE TO INCITE GOU MILITARY LEADERSHIP TO TAKE EVEN HARSHER MEASURES AGAINST INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED AS WELL AS TO TRIGGER HOSTILE REACTION TO USG AND THUS PLACE AMCITS REMAINING IN COUNTRY IN GREATER JEOPARDY.

2. ACCORDINGLY, BECAUSE OF HIGH POLITICAL AND SECURITY RISKS INVOLVED, EMBASSY GENERALLY SHOULD AVOID EXTENDING ASSISTANCE BEYOND OFFERING TEMPORARY REFUGE FROM

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IMMINENT DANGER TO LIFE AND PERSONAL SAFETY (AS FROM MOB VIOLENCE). UGANDANS SEEKING ASYLUM SHOULD BE TOLD FRANKLY THAT EMBASSY IS NOT IN POSITION TO BE HELPFUL. IN EXCEPTIONAL CASES, EMBASSY SHOULD SEEK IMMEDIATE GUIDANCE FROM DEPT. ROGERS

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FOR AMBASSADOR AND RAULLERSON FROM NEWSOM AND HESS

SUBJECT: PEACE CORPS

REFS: KAMPALA 3445 AND STATE 177158

WHILE POLICY REMAINS REMOVAL OF ALL PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS, HOPEFULLY BY OCTOBER 14 AS OUTLINED KAMPALA 3559, WE INTEND TO MAKE NO REPEAT NO PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT TO THIS EFFECT. CONSEQUENTLY UNTIL FINAL STAGE OF VOLUNTEERS' WITHDRAWAL YOU MIGHT FIND IT ADVANTAGEOUS IN YOUR EFFORTS TO CARRY OUT ABOVE POLICY IF YOU MAINTAIN POSTURE VIS A VIS UGANDAN AUTHORITIES WHICH, WHILE FACILITATING DEPARTURE OF VOLUNTEERS, SUGGESTS ULTIMATE DISPOSITION OF PROGRAM STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION. WHEN TIME COMES, WITHDRAWAL OF LAST VOLUNTEERS MIGHT BE REPRESENTED TO UGANDAN AUTHORITIES AS NECESSARY BECAUSE TOO FEW VOLUNTEERS REMAIN ON HAND TO ENABLE CONTINUATION OF MEANINGFUL PROGRAM. WHEN LAST VOLUNTEERS REMOVED, WE WILL THEN CONSIDER QUESTION OF PEACE CORPS OFFICE AND STAFF AND WILL WANT TO HAVE YOUR VIEWS AT THAT TIME. XGDS. ROGERS

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SUBJECT: PEACE CORPS

REF: KAMPALA 3445; 3430; 3442

FOR AMBASSADOR AND RAULLERSON

1. WHILE WE CAN APPRECIATE AND ARE CONSIDERING VIEWPOINTS EXPRESSED REFTELS, DEPT AND PEACE CORPS AT HIGHEST LEVELS FEEL STRONGLY THAT IN FIRST INSTANCE ALL REPEAT ALL VOLUNTEERS IN UGANDA, INCLUDING THOSE IN NORTH, SHOULD BE SAFELY WITHDRAWN TO KAMPALA SOONEST. WE WOULD HOPE THAT THIS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED NO LATER THAN THIS WEEK, AS INDICATED PARA 2 (A) OF KAMPALA 3445. IT IS STILL OUR POSITION THAT ALL VOLUNTEERS SHOULD BE EVACUATED FROM UGANDA AND, WHILE AWAITING FURTHER WORD FROM US, YOU SHOULD PROCEED TO ACCOMPLISH THIS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS WHO ARE READY TO GO. IRWIN

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SUBJ: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REF: (A) 1527 (B) 1534

1. DEPT. CONCURS WITH GENERAL COURSE OF ACTION OUTLINED PARA. 5, REF. (B). REQUEST AMBASSADOR EXPRESS DEEP USG APPRECIATION TO JONES FOR EFFECTIVE AND COURAGEOUS MANNER IN WHICH HE HAS CONDUCTED COMMISSION OF INQUIRY UNDER MOST TRYING CIRCUMSTANCES. ALSO SUGGEST YOU INDICATE OUR SINCERE HOPE THAT NO HARM WILL BEFALL JONES OR ANY OTHER INDIVIDUALS AS RESULT OF ROLE THAT THEY MAY HAVE PLAYED IN PROCEEDINGS. WE HOPE, AS MINIMUM, THAT COMMISSION OF INQUIRY WILL CONCLUDE THAT BOTH MEN WERE MURDERED AT MBARARA.

2. FYI WHILE WE WOULD, OF COURSE, WELCOME ANY FURTHER CONCLUSIONS BY COMMISSION E.G. NAMING OF GUILTY PARTIES, THAT MIGHT BE HELPFUL IN ULTIMATELY OBTAINING COMPENSA- TION FOR FAMILIES, WE BELIEVE, GIVEN PRESEN CIRCUMSTANCES AND PHYSICAL RISKS, JUSTICE JONES SHOULD MAKE OWN

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DECISION ON HOW FAR HE FEELS IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO GO WITHOUT OUR SEEKING INFLUENCE HIM. END FYI

3. EMBASSY SHOULD AGREE TO ACCEPT COPY OF FINAL REPORT FOR BOTH OUR RECORDS AND POUCHING TO LONDON. AT AMBASSADOR'S DISCRETION, EMBASSY MAY RECEIVE OTHER

ITEMS FOR POUCHING TO LONDON PROVIDED THEY ARE DIRECTLY RELATED TO COMMISSION OF INQUIRY. IN THIS CONNECTION, DEPT. HAS NO OBJECTION TO POUCHING OF JONES' PAPERS REQUESTED PARA. 3, REF. (A) AS LONG AS AMBASSADOR BELIEVES IT DESIRABLE UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES.

4. DEPT. HAS NO OBJECTION TO EMBASSY DAR CONTACTING MARTIN (PARA. 9, REF. (A) IN EFFORT TO LEARN NAME OR INITIALS OF CAPTAIN JUMA (OR MUSA). AT SAME TIME, WE DO NOT BELIEVE TIBIHIKA SHOULD BE SOUGHT OUT BY EMBASSY.

5. DEPT. WILL BRING GIST OF DEVELOPMENTS REFTELS AS APPROPRIATE TO ATTENTION OF STROH AND SIEDLE FAMILIES.
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SUBJ: GOU/USG RELATIONS

REF: KAMPALA 770, 772, 778, AND 779

IN MANNER YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE REQUEST YOU DISCUSS WITH GENERAL AMIN OUR VIEWS HIS SEVERAL PROPOSALS AS FOLLOWS:

1. SEVERAL REQUESTS REPORTED KAMPALA REFTELS FROM GENERAL AMIN PUT USG AT THIS TIME IN DIFFICULT POSITION. WE DESIRE TO BE RESPONSIVE TO OVERTURES OF FRIENDSHIP. AT SAME TIME WE AVOID DIRECT INVOLVEMENT IN PRIMARILY AFRICAN ISSUES AND IN ACTIONS CONCERNING SECURITY OF AFRICAN STATES. WE HAVE SOUGHT TO AVOID INVOLVEMENT IN SECESSION PROBLEMS (NIGERIAN CIVIL WAR AND SOUTHERN SUDAN) WHICH PLAGUE AFRICAN STATES AND WE HAVE RESPECTED AFRICANS' OPPOSITION TO ANY POSSIBLE BREAK UP OF A FELLOW AFRICAN NATION. MOREOVER WE ARE RESTRAINED BY OUR OWN LAWS AND OUR LIMITED RESOURCES FROM INAUGURATION OF NEW MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS OR EVEN, SINCE CONGRESSIONAL AMENDMENT LAST YEAR, FROM OFFERING MILITARY TRAINING IN U.S.

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2. GIVEN THE UNDERLYING PRINCIPLES OF OUR POLICY, WE CAN NOT RPT NOT GIVE ANY ENCOURAGEMENT TO GENERAL AMIN THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO SATISFY HIS WISHES FOR U.S. MILITARY EQUIPMENT UNDER MAP OR FMS. (SEPTEL FOLLOWS.)

3. HOWEVER, WE RECOGNIZE HIS NEEDS AND WE APPRECIATE THE PROPOSED ORIENTATION OF HIS NEW GOVERNMENT. WE ARE PREPARED, THEREFORE, IF GENERAL AMIN UNDERSTANDS OUR VERY REAL LIMITATIONS TO INITIATE REQUESTED LIAISON AND TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN INTERNAL SECURITY FIELD AS WILL BE EXPLAINED MORE FULLY IN SEPTEL. FURTHER, WE PREPARED TO APPROVE COMMERCIAL PURCHASE BY GOU OF TYPES OF DUAL-PURPOSE MILITARY EQUIPMENT EXPLAINED IN ADDITIONAL SEPTEL.

4. IN LIGHT SITUATION PARA 2 WE WOULD BE THOROUGHLY UNDERSTANDING IF AMIN FELT IT IMPRUDENT TO MOVE AGAINST SOVIET ADVISORS AT THIS TIME OR TO CUT HIMSELF OFF FROM ACCESS TO SPARES FOR SOVIET ORIGIN MILITARY ITEMS. AMIN IN BETTER POSITION TO JUDGE THAN WE BUT WE SUGGEST THAT IF SOVIETS HAVE NOT CLEARLY DETERMINED THEIR POSITION TOWARDS HIS REGIME THERE MAY BE MERIT IN AVOIDING ACTION WHICH WOULD LEAD SOVIETS TO ENCOURAGE THOSE IN KHARTOUM OR DAR WHO MIGHT BE ATTRACTED BY EXTREME MOVES AGAINST HIS REGIME.

5. APPARENT THAT WHAT NEW UGANDAN GOVERNMENT DOES IS OWN BUSINESS, BUT WOULD SUGGEST THAT AMIN REGIME ACCEPTANCE BY MODERATE AFRICAN STATES LIKELY BE CONSIDERABLY MORE DIFFICULT IF IT INITIATES ACTIONS AGAINST ITS NEIGHBORS.

6. FINALLY, WE HAVE STRONGEST RESERVATIONS TOWARD ANY EFFORT INVOLVE SOUTHERN AFRICAN REGIMES IN DISPUTES BETWEEN BLACK AFRICAN STATES. WE CANNOT SEE THIS AS BEING HELPFUL EITHER TO AFRICAN STATES INVOLVED OR TO LONGER RANGE EFFORTS REDUCE PROSPECTS VIOLENT CONFRONTATION BETWEEN BLACK AND WHITE-DOMINATED AFRICA. ROGERS

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FOR CHARGE FROM NEWSOM

SUBJECT: COUP ATTEMPT

REF: KAMPALA 244

1. BELIEVE IT ESSENTIAL FOR EMBASSY TO KEEP LOW PROFILE AND AVOID ANY APPEARANCE INVOLVEMENT IN PRESENT FLUID SITUATION, EVEN TO EXTENT OF LEAKING STATEMENT SUGGESTED REFTEL.

2. APPRECIATE PARTICULARLY YOUR REPORTING ON SAFETY U.S. CITIZENS.

3. PLEASE EXTEND TO ENTIRE COUNTRY TEAM OUR CONCERN FOR THEIR CONTINUED WELL-BEING.

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FOR AMBASSADOR

SUBJECT: STROH/SIEDLE CASE

REF: (A) DAR 828; (B) KAMPALA 981; (C) DAR 835

1. DEPT CONCURS THAT YOU SHOULD ORALLY PASS IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE TO COUNSEL WILKINSON LOCATIONS WHERE CORPSES AND CAR WERE ALLEGEDLY PLACED. REQUEST YOU INDICATE TO WILKINSON THAT YOU HAVE LEARNED ARTICLE ON THIS MATTER IS EXPECTED TO APPEAR IN LONDON SUNDAY OBSERVER AND YOU WISH TO PASS THIS INFORMATION TO HIM BEFORE IT BECOMES KNOWN PUBLICLY. RECOMMEND NO OTHER INFORMATION LEARNED FROM MARTIN BE MENTIONED TO WILKINSON.

2. DEPT NOTES REF (C) THAT MARTIN HAS NO OBJECTION IF THIS LIMITED INFO IS PASSED TO COMMISSION ON INQUIRY. IRWIN

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SUBJ: UK-SA ARMS SALE

REF: A. KAMPALA 1487; B) STATE 116834

1. PLEASE FORWARD FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NIXON TO PRESIDENT OBOTE:

QTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

I APPRECIATE THE DEEP CONCERN THAT LAY BEHIND YOUR MESSAGE TO ME OF JULY 18 ON BRITAIN'S CONSIDERATION OF THE SALE OF CERTAIN MARITIME DEFENSE ITEMS TO THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA. AS YOU NOTED, THE UNITED STATES CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION AND HAS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS REAFFIRMED ITS COMMITMENT TO THE ARMS EMBARGO.

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN STEPS BOTH PUBLICLY AND PRIVATELY TO MAKE ITS VIEWS ON THIS

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SUBJECT KNOWN TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT, AS WELL AS TO OTHER COUNTRIES. OUR POSITION WAS REITERATED PUBLICLY IN A STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE ON JULY 22. I HAVE INSTRUCTED AMBASSADOR FERGUSON TO BE SURE YOU RECEIVE THE FULL TEXT OF THAT STATEMENT.

SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON END QTE

2. SIGNED ORIGINAL BEING POUCHED. EMBASSY WILL FIND TEXT USG STATEMENT CARRIED REFTEL B.
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SUBJECT: KIDNAPPING THREAT

REF: KAMPALA 1402

1. APPRECIATE EARLY NOTIFICATION THREAT TO AMBASSADOR FERGUSON'S LIFE. ASSUME EMBASSY SECURITY OFFICER IN ACCORD WITH REMINDER IN 1969 (STATE 151166) REVIEWING PROCEDURES IN ENCLOSURE TO DA-10456, APRIL 21, 1966 TO ASSURE SAFETY AMBASSADOR AND HIS FAMILY. PLEASE KEEP US ADVISED.

2. FOR NAIROBI: REFTEL BEING REPEATED TO YOU. REGIONAL SECURITY OFFICER AUTHORIZED PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO KAMPALA TO REVIEW SECURITY PROCEDURES FOR PROTECTION AMBASSADOR FERGUSON AND FAMILY. ADVISE.
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SUBJECT: STATELESS UGANDAN ASIANS

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UNDERSTAND THAT QTE STATELESSNESS UNQTE MUST BE AN ESSENTIAL CRITERION IN SELECTING PAROLEES, AS INSTRUCTED REF D. WE SHALL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO IDENTIFY CANDIDATES WITHIN LETTER AND SPIRIT OF CRITERIA LISTED IN REF F. PROBLEM REMAINS, NEVERTHELESS, OF HOW STATELESS ASIANS ARE GOING TO PROVE TO OUR SATISFACTION THAT THEY ARE IN FACT STATELESS. WE ARE ADDRESSING THIS PROBLEM (ALSO RAISED IN REF G, JUST RECEIVED) IN AN LOU SEPTEL.

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EYES ONLY AMBASSADOR FERGUSON FROM KEELEY

SUBJECT: PAROLE OF 1000 STATELESS UGANDA ASIANS

REF: STATE 179243; KAMPALA 3568

1. SUMMARY: OVERNIGHT WE HAVE HAS SOME SECONG THOUGHTS ABOUT WISDOM OF REQUIRING UGANDA ASIANS TO BE PAROLED INTO US BE CERTIFIABLY "STATELESS." WE MAY THEREBY BE TYING OUR OWN HANDS UNNECESSARILY WITH RESULT THAT WE WOULD LIMIT POOL TO ONE FROM WHICH WE WOULD HAVE TO CHOOSE THE LEAST DESIRABLE CATEGORIES OF IMMIGRANTS. WE WOULD ALSO BE GOING CONTRARY TO PRACTICE OF ALL OTHER COUNTRIES TAKING EXPELLED ASIANS IN THAT WE WOULD BE LIMITING OUR OWN CHOICE ARBITRARILY TO ONE TYPE ONLY RATHER THAN CHOOSING THE BEST AVAILABLE. RECOMMEND DEPT GIVE FURTHER CONSIDERATION TO THIS PROBLEM URGENTLY BEFORE WE HAVE COMMITTED OURSELVES IRREVOCABLY TO A COURSE WE PRECEIVE AS LESS THAN WISE. END SUMMARY.

2. WHILE WE CAN APPRECIATE SOUND BASES FOR WHAT WERE PROBABLY CONSIDERATIONS UNDERLYING DECISION TO RESTRICT PAROLEES TO THOSE DEEMED "STATELESS", E.G., HUMANITARIAN IMPULSE TO TAKE THOSE IN DIREST/NEED (THOSE WHO HAVE NOWHWERE ESLE TO GO), AS WELL AS WISH NOT TO APPEAR TO BE BAILING OUT OTHERS SUCH AS BRITISH AND INDIANS WHO HAVE THE ESSENTIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THESE PEOPLE, WE ARE IN EFFECT SAYING TO OTHER COUNTRIES INVOLVED IN THIS RESCUE OPERATION, "YOU TAKE WHOM YOU WANT, AND WE'LL TAKE A THOUSAND OF THOSE YOU REJECT."

3. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT WITH DETERMINED EFFORT (WE HAVE ABOUT FIVE WEEKS REMAINING BEFORE DEADLINE) WE COULD FIND 200 FAMILY HEADS WITH DESIRABLE PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS. BUT WE HAVE SERIOUS DOUBTS. CONSULAR OFFICER CREHAN CONSULTED WITH CANADIAN IMMIGRATION TEAM OCT 2 AND WAS TOLD BY THEM THAT IN THEIR EXPERIENCE THE "STATELESS" ASIANS ARE THE "DREGS" TO USE THEIR BLUNT TERM WITH ALL DUE RESPECT FOR OUR MORE CHARITABLE

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INSTINCTS. THIS HAS BEEN PRETTY MUCH OUR OWN OBSERVATION. THE PROFESSIONAL AND OTHERWISE WELL-OFF ASIAN WERE CLEVER, LUCKY, OR WELL-CONNECTED ENOUGH TO ASSURE THEMSLEVES A POSITION OF RETREAT INTO ANOTHER NATIONALITY EVEN IF THEY AT SOME POINT OPTED FOR UGANDAN NATIONALITY. THEY ARE NOW ABLE TO CASH IN ON THEIR FORESIGHT OR THEIR CLEVERNESS. THE PURE STATELESS ARE THE GENUINE UNFORTUNATES--THE MISERABLES-- OF THIS SITUATION, AND THEY SEEM TO BE, TYPICALLY AT LEAST, THE DUKA-WALLAS OF THE BUSH COUNTRY WITH NARROW SKILLS (RETAIL TRADE), FEW RESOURCES (THE INVENTORIES THEY ARE ABONDONING) AND VERY POOR PROSPECTS (NOBODY BUT US WANTS THEM, AND EVEN WE DON'T REALLY WANT THEM BECAUSE THEY ARE UNSKILLED).

4. THERE MAY BE ONE EXCEPTION TO THIS GENERALLY BLEAK PICTURE OF THE "STATELESS," THE ISMALI COMMUNITY. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY WERE ADVISED BY THEIR SPIRUTUAL LEADER, THE AGA KHAN, TO TAKE OUT LOCAL CITIZENSHIP AND MAKE THEIR FUTURE HERE. HOWEVER, THEY ARE AS CLEVER AS THEY ARE HARD-WORKING AND THEY HAVE UNDOUBTEDLY REINSURED WITH SECOND OR EVEN THIRD PASSPORTS. AS YOU KNOW, THEY ARE MOST CLANNISH BUT THEY WOULD PROBABLY MAKE DESIRABLE IMMIGRANTS, ESPECIALLY IF WE STILL HAVE SOME FAITH IN THE PURITAN ETHIC, MUSLIM STYLE.

5. THIS WHOLE QUESTION BEARS FURTHER EXAMINATION, AND IT WOULD OF COURSE HELP US IF WE COULD HAVE A NODIS OR STADIS OR WHODIS EXPLANATION OF WHY THE PAROLESS MUST BE "STATELESS." OUR VERY PRIVATE OPINION WOULD BE THAT WE SHOULD PROCEED TO CATEGORIZE ALL THE ASIANS BEING EXPELLED AS ESSENTIALLY "STATELESS" (SINCE NOBODY WANTS THEM--AND WE REALIZE THIS ARGUMENT WOULDN'T STAND UP IN A COURT OF LAW, EVEN IF YOU WERE COUNSEL) AND THEN CHOOSE THOSE WE WANT, STARTING WITH OUR OWN LOCAL EMPLOYEES. WERE WE PERMITTED TO CHOOSE THE CRITERIA FOR SELECTION FOR PAROLE, WE WOULD STRESS:

A) DEMONSTRATED LOYALTY TO THE US AND DESIRE TO GO THERE TO SPEND THE REST OF THEIR LIVES;
BL PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS WHICH WOULD MAKE THEM EASILY PLACEABLE IN OUR SOCIETY;
C) SPECIAL HARDSHIPS OR FACTORS THAT MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR THEM TO GO ELSEWHERE, I.E. "STATELESSNESS".

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WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO WARN AGAINST IS THAT IF WE START WITH CRITERIAN (C) STRICTLY APPLIED, WE ARE UNLIKELY TO GET ANYONE WITH EITHER (A) OR (B). THOUGH THE ABOVE DON'T ADD UP TO PLUCK, INTEGRITY AND GUTS, THEY MIGHT RATE AS DESIRE, ABILITY AND REAL NEED, WHICH SPELLS ARN (RIGHT).

6. AMBASSADOR AGREES WITH THE SENTIMENTS, BUT HE BEARS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE LANGUAGE, WHICH IS DMC'S FAULT ALONE.

7. REGARDS AND SORRY YOU HAVE STILL NOT ESCAPED UGANDA.

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EYES ONLY FOR AMBASSADOR FERGUSON FROM AMBASSADOR

SUBJECT: STATELESS UGANDAN ASIANS

REF: STATE 179243

1. ALTHOUGH IT IS NOT FULLY KNOWN HOW THE UGANDAN GOVT HAS DETERMINED THAT CERTAIN ASIANS WHO WERE FORMERLY ENTITLED TO UGANDAN CITIZENSHIP ARE NOW BEING DECLARED NON-UGANDAN CITIZENS, IT IS ESTIMATED, ACCORDING TO LOCAL NEWSPAPERS, THAT THERE MAY BE AS MANY AS 23,000 IN THIS CATEGORY WHO HAVE BEEN OR COULD BE DECLARED STATELESS. THIS IS NUMBER OF UGANDAN-CITIZEN ASIANS RECORDED IN RECENT ASIAN "CENSUS", ACCORDING GOU STATEMENTS.

2. SOME OF THE REASONS GIVEN FOR REVOCATION OF CITIZENSHIP BY THE UGANDAN GOVT ARE, (A) THOSE WHO FAILED TO TAKE THE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE BETWEEN AGES 21-23; (B) THOSE WHOSE DOCUMENTS WERE NOT CONSIDERED TO BE IN ORDER (THE AUTHORITIES, FOR EXAMPLE, HAVE REFUSED TO ACCEPT ANY DOCUMENTS OTHER THAN ORIGINALS); (C) THOSE WHO FAILED TO PRODUCE EVIDENCE THAT THEY RENOUNCED BRITISH CITIZENSHIP WHEN THEY TOOK OUT UGANDAN CITIZENSHIP.

3. IN A CONVERSATION WITH AN OFFICER OF THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION THIS MORNING, EMBOFF WAS TOLD IT IS THEIR OPINION THAT UGANDAN-ASIANS FORMERLY HOLDING UGANDAN PASSPORTS HAVE NO CLAIM TO BRITISH CITIZENSHIP (EXCEPT IN RARE CASES) AND ARE BEING CONSIDERED STATELESS BY HMG.

4. THE HARDSHIPS ARISING OUT OF STATELESSNESS ARE ENORMOUS. IF THE UGANDAN GOVT FOLLOWS THROUGH WITH ITS EARLIER ETATEMENT, THOSE UGANDAN-ASIANS WHO HAVE NOT DEPARTED THIS COUNTRY BEFORE NOVEMBER 8 WILL BE PUT IN REFUGEE CAMPS.

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5. AN EXAMPLE OF THE TYPE OF STATELESS PERSON WE WOULD CONSIDER ELIGIBLE TO BE PAROLED INTO THE U.S. WOULD BE A HIGHLY QUALIFIED PERSON, SUCH AS A TEACHER, WHOSE WIFE MAY BE AS HIGHLY QUALIFIED, WITH TWO OR THREE MINOR CHILDREN AND ELDERLY PARENTS DEPENDING ON THEM FOR SUPPORT. ANOTHER EXAMPLE MIGHT BE AN ACCOUNTANT WHO HAS HAD EXPERIENCE WITH AN INTERNATIONAL BANK. A THRID TYPE MIGHT BE A HIGHLY QUALIFIED ENGINEER. IN OTHER WORDS, THOSE WHO ORDINARILY QUALIFY AS PSAANSA AND WOULD REQUIRE A LABOR CERTIFICATION.

6. THE EMBASSY HAS A RECORD OF THOSE ASIANS WHO HAVE SUBMITTED MA-750-A APPLICATIONS TO THE MANPOWER ADMINISTRATION, BUT CANNOT IDENTIFY WHICH ONES ARESTATELESS. HOWEVER, MANY CLAIMED TO BE STATELESS AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION.

7. TO SUMMARIZE, IN ANSWER TO THREE POINTS IN PARA 2 OF YOUR REFTEL:
(A) CIRCUSTANCES RENDERING MOST OF THESE PEOPLE STATELESS ARE THAT: THEY THOUGHT THEY WERE UGANDAN CITIZENS; GOU DECLINES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEY ARE UGANDANS; BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION DECLINES TO ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEM ON BASES THEY ARE NOT BRITISH SUBJECTS. WOULD ASSUME WE WOULD ASK APPLICANTS TO PROVIDE DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF THEIR STATELESSNESS.
(B) MANY ARE TECHNICALL AND/OR EDUCATIONALLY QUALIFIED, AND CERTAINLY ENOUGH FAMILY HEADS WITH GOOD QUALIFICATIONS COULD BE FOUND TO FILL A QUOTA OF 1000 PERSONS (WE ASSUME FAMILIES AVERAGE FIVE MEMBERS, SO THIS WOULD MEAN 200 QUALIFIED FAMILY HEADS; IN SOME CASES SPOUSE WOULD ALSO BE WELL QUALIFIED).
(C) PRIMARY HARDSHIP IS THAT IF THESE STATELESS ASIANS DO NOT FIND A COUNTRY TO WHICH THEY CAN EMIGRATE PRIOR TO NOV. 8 THEY WILL BE INTERNED IN SOMETHING RESEMBLING CONCENTRATION CAMPS. GDS

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1. DEEPLY APPRECIATE ARGUMENTS AND CONCLUSIONS SET FORTH REFTEL. HOWEVER, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER AGENCIES CONCERNED HAVE BEEN IRREVOCABLY COMMITTED THIS COURSE OF ACTION FOR PAST THREE WEEKS. DEPARTMENT CONSIDERED OTHER ALTERNATIVES, E.G. PROPOSED LEGISLATION, BUT FOR VARIETY OF REASONS NONE OF OTHER ALTERNATIVES FEASIBLE FOR ADMITTING SIZEABLE NUMBER OF REFUGEES WITHIN NEXT FEW WEEKS. UPON ANALYSIS, EXERCISE OF SECTION 212(D) PAROLE AUTHORITY ONLY POSSIBLE WAY FOR USG RESPOND TO PLIGHT OF ASIANS. FYI: RECENT ADMISSIONS LARGE NUMBER REFUGEES, I.E., CUBA, HUNGARY AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA, ALL FALL WITHIN PROVISION DEALING WITH REFUGEES FROM COUNTRIES QTE UNDER COMMUNIST DOMINATION. UNQTE UGANDA NOT UNDER COMMUNIST DOMINATION FOR PURPOSES OF ACT. END FYI.

2. QTE STATELESSNESS UNQTE REGARDED AS ESSENTIAL CRITERION FOR EXERCISE OF PAROLE AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE. WHILE SCOPE OF PAROLE AUTHORITY SUBJECT TO VARIOUS NARROW INTERPRETATIONS GENERAL CONSENSUS IS THAT IT SHOULD BE EXERCISED ONLY WITH GREAT RESTRAINT AND SHOULD NOT BE EXERCISED IN MANNER WHICH RELIEVES ANOTHER COUNTRY OF OBLIGATIONS IT HAS ACCEPTED. RELATED FACT IS THAT PAROLEES ADMITTED TO U.S. ONLY CONDITIONALLY AND MUST BE RETURNED TO CUSTODY FROM WHICH THEY ARE PAROLED WHEN THE PURPOSES OF THE PAROLE SHALL HAVE BEEN SERVED. IF PAROLEES WERE HOLDERS OF PASSPORTS IDENTIFYING THEM AS UK OR OTHER NATIONALS ONE MIGHT ARGUE U.S. LAW REQUIRED THEIR RETURN TO UK, ETC., WHEN CONDITIONS MORE PROPITIOUS. IN LIGHT OF FOREGOING, EVEN IF YOUR VIEWS WERE KNOWN PRIOR TO SECRETARY'S REQUEST, QTE STATELESSNESS UNQTE LIKELY TO HAVE REMAINED CRITERION FOR PAROLE.

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3. WE CANNOT STRESS TOO STRONGLY THAT IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT POST MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO IDENTIFY CANDIDATES WITHIN LETTER AND SPIRIT OF CRITERIA SET OUT STATE 179243. IRWIN
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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM AMBASSADOR FERGUSON

SUBJECT: STATELESS UGANDAN ASIANS

1. FOR OBVIOUS USES, WE NEED NLT OPENING BUSINESS MONDAY OUR TIME, EXAMPLES OF THE TYPE OF STATELESS ASIANS WE WOULD CONSIDER ADMITTING UNDER THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S PAROLE AUTHORITY.

2. TYPES SHOULD EXHIBIT FOLLOWING CHARACTERISTICS

(A) STATELESSNESS AND CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH RENDERE STATELESS, IF POSSIBLE TO ASCERTAIN;

(B) TECHNICAL AND/OR EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS INCLUDING THOSE OF MEMBERS OF FAMILY AND;

(C) SPECIFICATION OF HARDSHIP ARRISING OUT OF STATELESSNESS.

3. EXAMPLES NEED NOT BE RESTRICTED TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY MADE APPLICATION BUT SIMPLY REFLECT THE TYPE OF CANDIDATE WE WOULD CONSIDER UNDER FOREGOING AUTHORITY. NAMES NEED NOT BE INCLUDED BUT SHOULD BE RETAINED BY EMBASSY IN EVENT OF INQUIRY BY OTHER ELEMENTS USG.

4. SLUGG REPLY NODIS EYES ONLY AMBASSADOR FERGUSON.

5. PENDING ANNOUNCEMENT IN WASHINGTON, NO COMMENT SHOULD BE MADE ON PAROLE AUTHORITY ADMISSIONS. ROGERS

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